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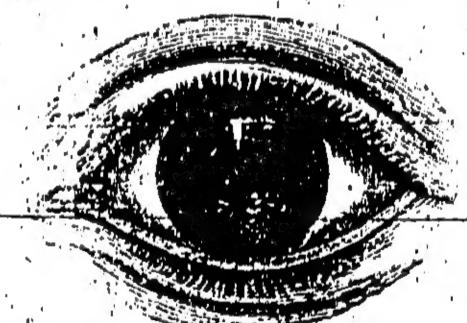
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As soon as possible after the great earthquake, which destroyed Messina a year ago, the Japanese Government sent two com petent observers to study the earthquake and its effects. Professor F. Omori, the well-known director of the Saismological Institute of Tokio, was charged with the investigation of the earthquake itself. Professor T. Nakamura with its effects from an architectural point of view. Professor Omori?reached the stricken district in the middle'of February, and remained there until the and of April. In his preliminary report, which has just been published, he gives an interesting summary of the

principal conclusions at which he has arrived. While the movement was distinctly sensible at a distance of 120 miles or more from the origin, the area within which the destructive effects of the earthquake were manifested was comparatively small. The city of Cantania, for instance, which is only filty miles from the centre, was quite uninjured. The area within which buildings were entirely destroyed or badly damaged is oval in form, and "is not" more than eighteen miles long from north to south and twelve miles wide. .. Its centre lies beneath the Straits. of Messina and nearer to Reggio di Calabria Hongkong. than to the Sicilian shore.

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The area of violent motion thus includes the whole of the Calabrian coast adjoining the straits, but only a small district of Sicily close to Messina. The great loss of life was due to the existence of two large towns within this area, the population of Messina before the earthquake having been about 150,000 and that of Reggio about 40,000. The enormity of the destruction of Messins, Professor Omori remarks, is really beyond one's imagination. All the buildings of the city were, with a very few exceptions, considerably cracked or absolutely reduced to masses of ruip, which looked like hill of debris. The principal streets were blocked by ing Trade Mark :masses of stones and mud, on an average more than 15ft, high, so that it was impossible for people, to save themselves, even if they had succeeded in escaping from their houses, is estimated that about 75,000 persons were killed in Messing and the suburbs, and about 25,000 in Reggio and other Calabrian towns and villages.

CAUSE OF THE EARTHQUAKE.

Professor Omori gives en instructive comparison between the disaster wrought by the Messing earthquake and by the great Japanese earthquake of 1891 in the provinces of Mino and Owari. The intensity of the shock at Messina was slightly less than in the city of Nagoya, the population of which in 1892 was about 15,000 more than that of Messina in 1908. At Nagoya, however, only 190 lives were lost, so that the number of persons killed in Messina was about 430 times as great as in Nagoya. In other words, about 998 out of 1000 of the number of killed in Messina must be regarded, when spoken in comparison to a Japanese city, as having fallen victims to seismologically bad construction of the_houses,_

· In Professor Omori's opinion, the earthquake was probably caused by the sudden formation or extension tof a nearly vertical crack_within the earth's crust in an eastsouth-tast and west-north-west direction. The Messins earthqueke was not, however, an isolated event. It is closely connected with many other shocks which have devastated portions of Central and Southern Italy. Professor.Omori illustrates in one map the destructive areas of Messina and twelve other earthquakes since 1538, and he shows that they lie along a curved zone, extending from Central Italy, through Calabria, in the neighbourhood of Catania. Thus, these great earthquakes are not distributed at random, but are confined to definite line of weakness in the earth's crust.

DANGEROUS ZONE.

Moreover, the areas of violent motion of the different parthquakes are almost distinct, and Professor Omori, therefore, concludes that the great disturbances are not repeated in the same centres, but occur successively in different portions of the seisme zone. In othe words, Messina and Roggio di Calabria, having. had their turn in 1908, may be regarded as immune for a long time, while the parts of the seismic zone that have not yet been visited are probably the most dangerous of all in Southern Italy.

Intimation.

KWONG FUNG YUEN, HEAD OXFICE-No. 83, Des Voeux Road West;

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LEUNG TAI, Managing Director. Hongkong, 19th January, 1910.

Intimations

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

OTICE is hereby given that the BRITISH.
CIGARETTE COMPANY, LIMITED, (a Company registered under the Laws of Hongkong) of No. 18 Bank Buildings, Hong-kong, and No. 22 Museum Road. Shanghal, China, Tobacco Manufacturers, has, on the 8th day of January, 1910, applied for the re-gistration, in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following Trade Mark:—

The Trade Mark consists of a Circular panel, in which is depicted a Chinese woman weighing a child: the child being suspended to a cloth from a balance Immediately above the circular panel are the words " HONEST WEIGHT," and below the circular panel is the name of the Company, BRITISH CIGAR-ETTE CO., LTD.

the name of the BRITISH CIGARETTE COMPANY, LIMITED, (a Company registered under the Laws of Hongkong) of No. 18 Bank Buildings, Hongkong, and 22 Museum Road, Shanghai, China, Tobacco Manufacturers, who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The Trade Mark is intended to be used by the Applicants forthwith in respect of the following goods :- MANUFACTURED TOBACCO. A facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen

at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of

Dated the 8th day of January, 1910. BRITISH-CIGARETTE COMPANY, LIMITED R. H. GREGORY,

Director.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE.

Application for Registration of Trade Mark.

TOTICE is hereby given that JOSEPH NATHAN & Co., LIMITED, of 88, Grace-church Street, London, E.C., Bugland; Mer-chauts, have, on the 28th day of December, 1909, applied for the registration, in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the follow-

The invented word

in the name of JOSEPH NATHAN & CO., LIMITED, who claim to be the sole proprietors

The Trade Mark has been used by the Applicants in respect of the following goods:— Substances used as Food or as Ingredients in Food, in Class 43.

A Facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the Office of the Official Receiver of Hongkong.

Dated the 6th day of Japuary, 1910. JOSEPH NATHAN & CO., LIMITED THOS. HAM.

THE THINA PROVIDENT LOAN ... AND

Secretary.

(CAPITAL PAID UP \$1,750,000) Louns on Mortgage of House Property, &c.

Goods received on Storage,

Advances made on Merchandise.

Hongrons, 10th March 100f.

MORTGAGE CO., LD.

Loans made on the Provident System. (Rates and Particulars on application). THE OFFICE OF TRUSTER, BXROUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY. &c., Unitertation and Executed. SHRWAN, TOMES & Co.,

General Managers.

FRENCH STORE.

NOTICE.

We beg to inform our numerous customers and the public in general that we have been appointed Agent for the "CREME SIMON" and Simon's Produces for Toilet Requisites, Perfumery, Powder, Soap, etc.

NOTICE.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1910.

INSPECTION SOLICITED.

MR. LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials, and merchants in this Colony for over ten years.

He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chihese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin,

Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write care of Honghong Telegraph office or direct to 17. Hollywood Road, and floor.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1910, JAPANESE MASSAGE.

Masseur MEIJI

GRADUATE OF KOBE MESSAGE SCHOOL. ATTENDANCE AT PATIENTS' IRESIDENCE. No. 171, WANCHAL ROAD,

GROUND FLOOR Hongkong, soil January, 1910,

Powells

Furnishing

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AND

Honghope, soth Rebruary, 1910.

Public Companies

THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, at Noon, on TUESDAY, 15th March, 19to, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1900, and the Report of the General Managers and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st of March to the 14th day of March, both days inclusive. THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LD., W. G. DARBY,

General Manager. Hongkong, 28th February, 1910.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE. HOLDERS in the Company will be held in the OFFICE of the GENERAL MANAGERS, St. George's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 10th day of March, 1910, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1909, Declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors, The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company. will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 10th day of March, 1910, until SATURDAY, the 19th day of March, 1910, both days inclusive. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LD.

NOTICE

THE "THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE. HOLDERS . of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 24th March, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1909.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to 24th March both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD., General Agents:

Hongkong, 4th March, 1910.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LD. NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE. HOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 24th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1909. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 11th to 24th March, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,

General Agents. Hongkong, 4th March, 1910.

Notice of Firm.

CHARGEURS REUNIS.

'DY Mutual Agreement between the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes and the Compagnio des Chargeurs Réunis, the HONGKONG AGENCY of the CHARGEURS REUNIS will, from the 1st January, 1910, be transferred to Messrs. P. A. LAPICQUE & CO. (Queen's Building No. 4). CHARGEURS REUNIS.

P. A. LAPICQUE & Co., Agents. MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. P. THOMAS,

Hongkong, 29th December, 1909.

Auction.

'SPICIAL SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION

HIGH CLASS JEWELRY DIRECT FROM LONDON.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

SATURDAY.

the 19th March, from 10.45 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., TUESDAY, the 22nd March. 1910, at 2.30 p.m., at their

Sales Rooms, No. 8, Das Vœux Road, SINGLE STONE DIAMOND RINGS. DIAMOND and RUBY, EMERALD, OPAL. TURQUOISE and SAPPHIRE RINGS MARQUISE RINGS, GEMSET RINGS GOLD and GOLD-FILLED BANGLES and BRACELETS, GENT.'S SOLID GOLD and GOLD-FILLED WATCHES and ALBERTS. DIAMOND TIE PINS and STUDS, LEVER WATCHES, OPEN-FACE WATCH by Benson (cost £25), 18-Carat GOLD WATCH by (cost £40), GOLD-FILLED RE-

PEATER WATCHES, WALTHAM WAT-LADIES' GOLD and GOLD. FILLED LONG GUARDS, NECKLETS, BROOCHES, CHARMS, CHRONO STOP WATCHES, NON-MAGNETIC WATCHES. SILVER-BACKED COMBS, BRUSHES and MIRRORS, OIGARETTE CASES, GOLD FRONTED LINKS and STUDS, GOLD and GOLD FILLED EARRINGS, BROO-HAT PINS, SILVER BELTS, FIRLD GLASSES, SILVER-MOUNTED

A few Lots of E. P. Nickel Sliver Az quality TABLE PLATE and OUTLERY.

SUNDRY IRISH, LINENS. Catalogues will be issued. TERMS:-At usual.

SCENT BOTTLES, &c., &c.;

HUGHES & HOUGH Auctioneers. Hongkong, 7th March, 1910.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S RUBBER QUOTATIONS ...

The following quotations for rubber shares, by wire, are supplied by Messrs: E. S. Kadoorle Anglo-Malays......31/6 Balgownies\$160 Cheras\$15 Eastern Internationals 30/- prem. Highlands and Lowlands134/ Linggis48/3 London Asiatics127/6 Rubber Trusts 62/9 prem. c, v. i. Saggas230/-Sandycrofts\$35

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY. LIMITED.

United Serdangs125/- sales

United Singapores\$2

United Sumatras' 14/-

ANNUAL REPORT.

The report for 1909 states: - The director beg to submit their report and statement accounts for the year ending 31st December,

The result of the year's work shows a increase of \$1,038.52 on the amount of the debi balance brought forward from last year, making the balance at debit of profit and loss account \$8.460:441 DIRECTORS.

During the absence from the Colony of Mr his place on his return. He now retires accord- truly. ing to the articles of association, but offers himself for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. H. Percy Smith, who offers himself for re-election. G. K. HAXTON, Chairman.

AUDITOR.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1010. BALANCE SHEET, 31ST DECEMBER, 1909.

Capital:-18,000 shares of \$15.00

10,800_ shares_issued and fully paid...... \$170,000,00 Reserve fund as per last report Less depreciation of

plant, stock, interest and expenses on North Point 17,710.89 Hongkong and Shanghai Banking

Corporation loan, account (se-"cured by mortgages)" 137,642.40 Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation current account ... Sundry creditors

\$44B, 126.47 Anacis.

Value of land and buildings at Wanchai and North Point as per Value of machinery, plant, launches and office

furniture as per last report\$58,000.00 Additions during the year 675.87

\$58,675.87 Written off for depre- -\$7,000,00

Value of stock in-trade as pervaluer's certificate 71,049.29 Written off for depreciation 5,049.29

Value of work in progress as per 4,402.00 valuer's Certificate Cash on hand............. 128,16 Mercantile Bank of India, Limited 94.38 Investments______ Sunday debtors Balance of profit and loss

account as at 31st December, 1908 7,421.91 Loss for the year 1909 ... 1,038,52

\$448,126,46

8,460.44

\$ 20,406.97

To Balance of last year's account ...\$ 7,421,92

To Salaties To Crown rent and taxes 1,264.20 To Amount of bad debts written off... \$ 20,406.97

By Balance of working account \$ 11,866.43 By Transfer fees By Bonus from Insurance Company ·By Dividend on investments ... By Interest..... By Balance.....

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS.

VALUE OF PRELIMINARY OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

The following letter has been kindly placed at our disposal for publication :---

Local Examination Offices Merton Street, Oxford, February 2nd, 1910.

Dear Sir,-The activity of the English and Americans in educational matters in China has been for some time engaging the attention of political writers in Germany. Quite recently read an important article in one of the chief German Monthly Reviews on the whole question, and I found that special note was taken of the proceeding in the matter of the proposed University at Hongkong.

It was I who moved the University of Oxford to make the change in its statutes, which led to the acceptance of Classical Chinese and English as substitutes for Latin and Greek it the case of Oriental students,

Both native Chinese and Englishmen intefested in China have spoken to me, during the last few years, about the desirability of attracting to England a greater portion of the native Chinese who are now coming in larger numbers to Europe for the purpose of study.

It has occurred to me that the new possibilities at Oxford might with 'advantage 'become better known amongst educated natives and that they might be interested in learning how much time might be saved if they were enabled to pass an examination in China which freed them from a preliminary examination at Oxford and thus enabled them to proceed without intersuption to prosecute their studies here, should they ultimately decide to come.

Among the considerations which were laid before me by those who induced me to move the University was one of considerable importance. It was pointed out that under the arrangements which previously existed a student who desired to come to Oxford was obliged to spend some time in this country in preparing for his initial examination.

As to any action which it may be thought desirable to take in Hongkong or in any of the neighbouring parts of China, those who are resident on the spot can alone judge.

.I hope that you will not think that I have travelled out of my province in sending to you this unofficial letter. The assistance which natives educated in England might render to A. Rodger, his seat on the Board was occupied -your-University-when this is established would by Mr. J. Rodger, Mr. A. Rodger resuming appear to be very considerable. -- Yours very H. T. GERRANS.

To T. K. DEALY, Esq., Hon. Sec., Oxford Locals, Queen's College, Hongkong.

Untimations.

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

KWONG LOONG & CO.

CABINET-MAKERS AND ART DECORATORS from Shanghal, has re-opened their FURNITURE STORE

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Untimations

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When a thing ought to be done the modern spirit moves us to keep working away at it until it is done. In the face of this idea the "impossible" vanishes. Where there's a will there's a way. " If we could but rob cod liver oil of its sickening taste and smell and then combine it with two or three other ingredients we should possess the best remedy in the world for certain diseases that are now practically incurable." So said a famous English physi cian twenty-five years ago. "Bat 1 will never be done," he added. "You can no more turn cod liver oil into a pleasant palatable medicine, than you can turn the Codfish itself into a Bird of Paradise." Yet be lived to admit that in

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the "impossible "had been accomplished. is palatable as honey and contains all the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites, "Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. This remedy is freed from the bad peculiarities Dr. Frothingham so detested, and it is precisely the splendid medicine he wished

for. Use it freely and confidently for Anemia, Hysteria, Wasting Complaints, Blood Impurities, Asthma, and Throat and Lung Troubles, Dr. W. H. B. Aikins, F. R. C. P., London,-M. D. C. M., Victoria University,-M. B., Toronto University,-Consulting Physician to Home for Incurables, Physician to Toronto. General Hospital, says: "I am much pleased to state that the results from using Wampole's Preparation of Cod Liver Oil have been uniformly satisfactory; it appealed to me as being prepared according to correct scientific principles." It increases the appotite and influences the digestion of food; it is delicious to take, will not disappoint you and is effective from the first dose. "It represents the dawn of progress." At chemists everywhere.

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THE best TONIC for keeping in perfect health in the 'I ropics.

It is a liquid food in predigested form, 'containing all the bracing, soothing and toning effects of the choicest hops. Nearly Non-

Highly recommended by the local medical profession in cases of Debility after Malaria, from overwork or other causes. Anemia. Nervousness or Dyspepsia. Samples on application.

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Agents,

Consignees.

FROM EUROPE:

Hongkong, 13th December, 1909.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"LIBERIA," Captain Knaisel, having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods, are being, landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extrabazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills-of-Lading countersigned by the

Undersigned. Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-

All Claims must be presented within tendays of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods. baye left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged. Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th instant, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us

any case whatever. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE Hongkong Office

Hongkong, 11th March, 10to. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Bleamship

"KLEIST,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Oplum, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goodshave left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th of March, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chaled, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowas, where they will be examined on the 17th of March, at 9.19 A.M. All Claims must reach us before the 21st of March, 1910, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by th

Undersigned: . THIS STRAMER BRINGS CARGO Ex S.S. Singapore from Smyrna. Orseolo from Vanica.

Hodgkong; 11th March, 1910.

Palitana from Tuticoria. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & Co., General Agents.

Consignees.

BENT LINE OF STRAMERS.

NOTIOR TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENDORAN," FROM ANTWERP, LEITH, MIDDLES-BRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardons Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst, will be suboct to rental

sented to the Undersigned on or before the: tand ast, or they will not be recognized, All broken, chaird, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst, at 11 A.M.

No Fire insurance has been affected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Hougkong, 8th March, 1010

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship.

"PRINZ SIGISMUND," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be

No Ciaims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th of March will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th of March, at 9.30 A.M. All claims must reach us before the 19th of March, 1910, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co.,

General Agents.

AMERICAN AND MANCHURIAN LINE

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM NEW YORK

Hongkong, 8th March, 1910.

THE Steamship

" KARONGA." Captain Leslie, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,

Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees risk and expense. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, Isth instant, a

All Claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, oth March, 1910.

Agents.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named ressel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before

Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each

consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,

Goods not cleared by the 14th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. Damaged Packages, must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consigneds and the Company's representatives at an

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which-

P. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 8th March, 1010.

INDO-OHINA STRAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FROM GALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE. THE Company's Steamship

"Laisang," having arrived from the above Ports, Consigness of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside; Cargo, impeding the discharge, or remaining on board after 4 P.M., the 12th inst., will be landed at Consigner's fish and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countered ned by Ganeral Managera

Hongkong, 10th March, 1919,

IARDINE, MATHERON & GOLLEUP

appointed hour. date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

Intimation.



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HYGIENOL IS A POWERFUL DISINFECTANT AND

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WATSON & CO LIMITED,

HONGKONG DISPENSARY

KOWLOON-DISPENSARY:-Hongkong, and February, 1910

NOTICE.

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Whe Mongkong Welegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 1910.

THE CHINA SQUADRON.

The advent of the new powerful flagship of the China Station, in relief of H.M.S. King Alfred, was made the subject of certain editorial comments in Singapore where, it is asserted that "during recent years, it might be inferred by those who did not know otherwise that the pavy had practically ceased to exist." In the course of its observations, the Straits Zimes, which writes on the subject and from which we extract the article, remarks: "At various scattered periods of our more recent history, it has been our privilege to occasionally see the white ensign, lazily drooping over the stern of some rather insignificant vessel, which has had occasion to pay us a passing visit, while travelling either to or from China, but never apparently finding anything here to prolong her stay than the taking in of necessary fuel to help her, get away, fact that we have seen here a great deal more of the naval flags of foreign nations, during recent years, than of Britishers have looked back to the days when there was always present at least one representative_of_that_powerful Boot, which is the first line of defence of our

Empire, they wish they could see more of, their ships and of their men, and they think that it would do good in very many ways. But an omnipotent board of sea lords sits at home and dictates to us in this matter and tells us that we are just as safe here without our ships as with them, and that, however much we would like to see some representative of the navy regularly about us, we must forego the pleasure. Such indeed was one of the results of Tsushima and our treaty with Japan. At no time of any great strength. the China squadron, in face of the security afforded us by our friendly relations with Japan, and the preponderance of that wonderful nation's naval standing in the Far East, was whittled down to its present proportions, and Singapore lost her one and only pet. naval lamb in the shape of the guard-ship that was formerly a feature of the shipping in harbour. To day, however, we have the pleasure of seeing with us a worthy representative of the fleet-a ship which, as well as being, we believe, the largest and most powerfully equipped warship that Great Britain has ever sent out to the "Far East," is stated to be the precursor of a greater display of Britain's naval strength in these seas, following upon some re-arrangement of naval plans in this part of the world that has received the consideration and sanction of our highest naval experts. What those plans exactly are, no man knoweth but the naval strategists who have seen fit to draw them up, but it would appear to be generally agreed that in future those fleets which have bitherto had as their headquarters such widely spread corners of this hemisphere as the China coast, the Persian Gulf and the ports of Australia, will work on some scheme of closer co-operation that will bring them together more frequent ly, and will give us an opportunity of seeing at least some of them with greater frequency than we have done for many years past. A has more than once been stated in these columns, there is a deduction, and a very reasonable deduction, to be drawn from the dock construction works, which are now being pushed forward with commendable energy at this port. That dock accommodation is to a large extent no doubt intended to mee what we all trust will be largely increased demands by the mercantile marine of all the nations doing business here. But not entirely so and that other use can be no other than a use by the ships of the British navy. It is going too far to say that Singapore may be the headquarters of a fleet, with all the necessary adjuncts of such a scheme, however much we would like to see the idea realised, but it is apparent that our new dock accommodation is meant to cope with requirements that may arise consequent upon a general re-arrangement of British warships in these waters, and possibilities that may be thought power out here is put to the task which it was created to accomplish. All this is perhaps rather beyond the original intent of these remarks, which was to draw attention to the arrival of a very powerful warship, and to the new conditions of British naval power in the Far East, which the presence of that magnificent vessel may be taken to indicate. The Minotaur brings, out to the East, the new Admiral of the China squadron-Sir. A. L. Winsloe, an officer who comes to take over the command from Sir Hedworth Lambton, who has had charge of our naval destinies out here for the past three years King Alfred goes home. They are both great warships, and though it is a fact that the new arrival, is of 500 tons less displace. ment than the retiring flagship, whose tonnage runs to the large figure of 14,600, those figures convey no idea of the fighting capacity of the two vessels. Whereas the new flagship is almost a new ship, having been com-The postage on the weekly issue to any part of the pleted at Devonport, where she was built and equipped at a cost exceeding £1,250,ooo, less than two years ago, the King Alfred was launched in 1901. Agaid, the new flagship with her heavier batteries has weight of gunfire of 8,520 lbs. of metal, as against the King Affred's 2,360 lbs. This

> than has been the case in recent times." a Punch and Judy show its Tai Ping Shan Street, when he suddenly felt a tug at his metal watch and the next moment saw a man disappearing with the article. The man was arrestlabour-six months on each count-six hours! talion at Aldershot. He was recently at the stocks and twelve strokes of the hirch.

by way of a commencement in the streng-

thening of the station. Incidentally, it may

be mentioned that, with the exception of the

new Dreadnought cruisers of the Indomitable

type, the Minataur is one of the three most

powerful cruisers, flying the white ensign,

her sister ships being the Shannon and the

Defence. - There is little authoritatively

known on these matters, which is as it

should be for they are matters alone for the

orain of the naval service, but credence has

been given to a rumour that the Sliannon

and the Defence may follow in their sister's

wake at no very distant period of time.

However that may be, Singapore welcomes

the gallant Admiral and his tars, and will be-

more than pleased if any new scheme that

may be devised brings the naval ensign of

Britain to this port with greater frequency

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A WIRE dated the Hague, February, 16, states that the Standard Oil Company has declared a dividend of 180 per cent, for the past quarter.

THE Straits Echo says: We are about sick of that London joke about rubber shares bouncing. What about rubber promoters stretching?

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Francis Maitland to be a visiting Justice to the Po Leung Kuk vice Mr. Bryer resigned.

THE rolice Magistentes' Department is excluded from the operation of the Public Holidays Ordinance, 1875, on the 26th March, 28th March, 16th May, 1st August and 26th December, 1910, and on the 2nd January, "1911.

THE following is the list, according to Reuter, of the wants of the Russian Navy League: Four powerful ciuisers, filty descoyers, titty torpedo-boats, niesen gunboats, ten coastdefence ships, forty-eight submarines, and fifty aeroplanes.

I HE Japanese traveller, Mr. Kawagauchi, who has published a book on Tibet, is now devoting humself to completing a long course of the .tudy of Sans. rit in the Central Hindu College Bennes, where he has been already a consiacrable time as a student.

PROPESSOR Garstang has discovered on the site of the Ethiopian monarchs, in the Soudan, Sun temple by Ergamenes mentioned by Diodorus, containing various sculptures. Many inscriptions and statues have also been found.

THE Batavia Nieuweblad hears that the Royal Dutch Petroleum Company which works the oil fields in East Bumatra will distribute a small dividend for 1909-about 30 per cent. The directors say that the prospects of 1910 are brilliant enough to make good the disappointments of last year.

N West Sumatra, in the district of Kampar the government has offered a reward of 100 guilders for the killing of an unusually destructive man eating tiger, which has established a reign of terror in that quarter. In one month alone, it killed eleven persons. Traps and pits have failed to catch it.

THE Hastings case, which has had such a protracted hearing, was committed for trial by Mr. In this case, two well-dressed Chinamen are charged with alleged conspiracy, whereby they are alleged to have obtained from Mr. John Hastings, solicitor, the sum \$24,000 under false pretences.

WE are requested to state that owing to the inclemency of the weather, the Regatta which was to be held at Fenwick's Reclamation today, has had to be indefinitely postponed. The rough weather has also been responsible for the smashing up of two of the competing boats one being a V.R.C. pair oar and the other beto be probabilities if at any time our naval longing to the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club,

> received word yesterday from his Yokohama office advising the receipt by them of a w reless message from the R.M.S. Empress of India (which left Hongkong for Vancouver on the p.m, the 10th instant, when the vessel was 1,400 miles from Japan. The Captain reports al well, and that they were experiencing fine weather;

THE official programme of Army reliefs during 1910 it contains the following :-1st Yorkshire Light Infantry from South Africa to Hongkong; and East Kent Regiment from Hongkong to Singapore; 3rd Middlesex Regiment, Singapore to India; Hong kong and Singapore Battalion, R. G. A .-No. i' Company, Mauritius to Hongkong; No. 2 Company, Hongkong to Mauritius No. 3 Company, Hongkong to Singapore; No. 4 Company, Singapore to Hongkong.

HIS Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances: -An Ordinance to set part certain_Crown_Land.to be used as a burial ground for persons professing the Christian Religion; an Ordinance to amend the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1903, and the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1909; an Ordinance to amend the Order and Cleanliness Ordinance, 1867; and an Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1901.

THE-Hon, Treasurer of the Alice Memoria and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals :--

Edin. Morningside Lodge Church S. School...... \$ 90.94 Sincere & Co. ... 25 Ma Ying Pue 20 -Soares & Co 10 Ulderup & Schluter Dr. M. H. Chaun H. 8

THE changes amongst the British troops in Far Eastern garrisons next tropping season will be limited to the moves of the and Pattalion The Buffs from Hongkong to Singapore, the 3rd Battalion Middlesex Regiment from Singapore to India (Lebong), and the 1st Battalion the King's Own Light Infantry from A CHINAMAN was yesterday standing watching | Wynberg, Cape Colony, to Hongkong. The inter battalion is commanded by Lieut.-Colonel L. A. H. Hamilton, and we (L. and C. Express) believe that it was never previously stationed at Hongkong. The seconding of Captain G. ed and then the Police discovered that he had M. James, The Buffs, whilst he is studying at returned from banishment. This morning he | the Staff College, brings Captain C. L. Porter appeared before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police in on the establishment. Captain Porter has Magistrate, who awarded him one year's hard been attached for some time to the 1st Bat-

Military College.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.] HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HORORONG TELEGRAPH." SIR -Now that invitations for the ceremony of the laying of the foundation stone have been issued, will Mr. Mody and the Governor kindly accept the suggestion of an humble, scribe? The function on Wednesday next will be an historical event. It will be the most important that has yet been associated with the educational movement in the Colony, As such it will be of special interest to the schools in Hongkong. Now the purport for which I seek the hospitality of your columns is to suggest | Bonnar, E. Shellim, A. S. D. Cousland (directhat the schools in Hongkong-both boys' and girls'-giving secondary education be invited to be present at Wednesday's ceremony en masse. If this way further interest will be stimulated among the teachers, and s'udents in the future University, and the latter, from among whom the undergraduates must largely come, will be appealed to in a very tangible manner to stir up onthusiasm for the entrance examinations. Besides, the advantage quickening intere t among the rising generation, the prosence of the scholars in large numbers, accompanied by their professorial staff, will lend additional effect to the pomp and ceramony of what promises to be a red-

I trust Mr. Mody and Sir Frederick Lugard -peither of whom is above accepting a well meant suggestion-will give these lines some little thoughtful consideration,-Yours, etc.

UNDERGRADUATE. Hongkong, 12th March, 1910.

-CHINA-BORNEO CO.----

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH." DEAR SIR,-It is improbable that I shall be able to get away from work on Tuesday to attend the annual meeting of shareholders of the China Borneo Co., Ld. With your leave I would like to reach the hearing of the board of directors through the medium of your commercial columns. It is not my endeavour to backle the consulting committee, nor to cavil at the careful (if somewhat unfortunate) general management, over the balance sheet just issued. The employment of the term "unfortunate" calls for some explanation. It has reference to the huge loss, for the third year in succession, in exchange. But for the appearance of this one item, the company would have been able to .-C.-Wood-at-the-Magistracy-this-morning. present a magnificent balancersheet and barin the position of distributing an additional dollar to shareholders by way of a greatly enhanced dividend. The loss of nearly half the net working profits of the Company in exchange transactions is greatly to be regretted, if it was wholly unpreventible. With the Company's management in such a capable and cautious firm's hands like that of Messrs. Gibb, Livings. ton & Co. means ought to be successfull devised for obviating the tedious recurrence in future of the loss in exchange.

The foregoing observation, however, is not the immediate object of my letter. What I desire and with me several other shareholders of standing, who hold an interest in the Company THE General Traffic Agent of the C. P. R. Co. by way of profitable investment and not sheer speculation, is to urge upon the consideration of the general manager and the cor juiting committee the expediency of substituting rubber stalks for the stumps of trees that have 16th ult.) The message was despatched at 9 been felled and cleared from the Company's extensive concession. It is superfluous to dilate upon the advantages that will prospectively accrue to shareholders were it possible to so convert the fallow ground to highly remunerative planting. It should be premised that, in advancing the suggestion, it is presupposed that nothing in the leases to the Company of its holdings precludes the conversion of the land to re-planting. If any clause exists in the leases, there can surely be no insuperable difficulty for successful negotia--tions to be initiated with the Chartered Company that will effectually grant the permission for rubber planting within the areas leased by advertised to inform its shareholders that the remedy if applied the right way. the China Borneo Co. From all that can be gathered, the British North Borney Government is offering all manner of inducements calculated to enhance the value of the Company's extensive territory, and it can be taken for granted that suitable terms and conditions could be secured whereby the Chine Borneo Co. might be privileged to cultivate the for inspection and to apply for the necessary gold-bearing lacteal plant.

I feel sure that a large body of shareholders will appreciate any statement that may be advanced from the Chair on Tuesday anent this most interesting question, give it public expression in the present form as originating not from me individually but from others also who have an abiding vester interest in the Company.

Another point upon which chairmen at past meetings have retained perfect ret cence is the slipway at Sandakan. Removed as we are at this distance from the capital of B. N. Borneo we have little conception of the working and earning powers of this very valuable adjunct to the Company's properties. A little information on the part of the Chair man at Tuesday's meeting will be gratefully received by a believer in the future of Borneo who is also-

A SHAREHOLDER. Hongkong, 12th Myrch, 1910.

THE Falkland Islands, whose Governor, the Hop. W. L. Allardyce, C.M.G., recently arrived in London, are among the least-known and most out of the way corners of our widely scattered Empire. They form a sort of British -suburb of the South Pole, some 500 miles from the Antarctic end of America, Cape Horn, Curious that one of our sprightliest actresses, Miss Ellaline Terriss, should have been born in such a dreary spot. A former Governor of the Falkland Islands, the late Sir William Robinson, used to say that he would have committed suicide while there if he could have found a tree tall enough on which to hang bimsell

PONGKONG AND ROWLOOM WHARP AND GODOWN

CO., LD. ANNUAL MEETING.

The twenty-third ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong, and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld., was held at the offices of Messis, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., this afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the directors' report and the statement of accounts for the year ending just December, 1909. The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson (chairman of directors) presided. There were also present :-Sir Paul Chater, Mesers, H. A. Siehs, J. Bandow, C. S. Gubbay, E. G. Barret, J. W. C. tors), Hop, Mr. E. Osborne (secretary), W. H. Wickham, H. W. Looker, P. C. Potts, D. H Silas, R. Packham, T. F. Hough, A. Bryer, Welfe, Capt. Unsworth, and others. The Secretary read the notice convening the

necting."

The Chairman said :- Gentlemen,-I propose with your consent to take the report and the waird topic of grave monuments. accounts as read. There is little in connection with last year's working that calls for special comment, beyond the disagreeable fact that for the first time in 24 years, our establishments proved to be too large for our business; in Supreme Court yesterday the truth of the consequence of which we had to close several' godowns, reduce our staff, and generally to cut letter day in the annals, of the Colony's down expenses by nearly \$86,000; and if busi- less a personage than the Assistant Colonial cess does not improve during the current year | Secretary was subpossed to attend on very still further economies will have to be effected, short notice by one of the five barristers engage The fact is, the Colony's storage accommodation | ed in the case. At one time it looked as if far exceeds its requirements, with the result that there was going to be a wordy warfare between competition has brought sents, more especially at Judge and Counsel and at one stage of the case West Point to an unprofitable level, and until the ! It looked dangerously certain that the Colonial surplus godowns disappear or the volume of Secretary himself was to be dragged from his imports increase, I see no hope, under our pre- official chair, to the precincts of the Courtsent scale of charges, for any substantial improvement in storage revenue. The typhoon of 1906, which you will remember destroyed the wharves and damaged our buildings, launches and lighters, necessitated an increase of capital of a million dollars to meet expenditure which was necessary to enable us to carry on work? and on this increased capital it is difficult to see how we are to earn an adequate return it our present scale of charges is adhered to "We look, of course, for the expected revival in business to do much for us, and we have hopes that railway development will bring about great changes at Kowloon; but even so, th results of the last few years' working indicat very clearly that a revision of our tariff is justified under the circumstances. ...

-There were no questions. The Chairman moved the adoption of the eport and accounts. Mr. H. W. L. oker seconded.

Motion agreed to unanimously. Mr T. F. Hough moved that the appointmen of Messrs. H. A. Siebs and J. Bandow as direc-

ors be confirmed. Capt. Unsworth seconded.

Carried. The re-election of Mr. C. S. Gubbay and Mr. . G. Barrett to the board of directors was edepted on the motion of Mr. Chapman, seconded by Mr. Silas.

Mr. W. H. Wickham moved and Mr. Packhar seconded that Messrs. W. H. Potts and O'D. Gourdin be re-clected auditors.

The Chairman:-That is all the busines gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance, Dividend warrants can be had on application

The meeting then ended.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

FATAL COLLISION.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 10th March. On the 8th instant at 8,p.m. the steam launc Tai Shan collided with a junk which, was full laden with firewood and was coming to Canton from Wuchow, when they were passing th Kou Mee Chow. The juck sank as the resul of the collision, and all her cargo was lost the time of the accident, there were on board the junk seven persons of whom six were for tunately saved and one was drowned.

L. CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY. The Canton-Hankow Railway Company has 1st day of the 4 h moon (9th April next) has been appointed as the day on which a general meeting of shareholders will be held for the purpose of electing a president and vice-presi dent of the company to fill the posts vacated by the resignation of Sir Chun Tung Liang Cheng and Mr. Lo Po Shun, respectively. The shareholders are requested to present their share tickets at the head office of the Company form to be filled in fer voting at the meeting.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

Taotai Wei Han has been deputed by H. E Viceroy Yuan Shu Hsun to proceed to Hongkopp on the 16th instant as his representative as the method merely consists of nothing simto take part in the ceremony of the laying of the pler than, masticating bone, preferably of the foundation stone of the Hongkong University. I tough var ety, for you never can tell. Hotel LIKIN COLLECTIONS.

The collection of Likin dues, in Canton during the second ten days of the first moon as reported by the Likin Bureau to the Viceroy amounted to 49,170,160 tacls.

CRUISER " HO! SHUM." The Chinese cruiser Hel Shum, which was despatched to Canton from Shanghai at the request of the Canton Viceroy, to be ready for in:assistance in case of emergency, during the recent riots in Canton, will leave here day after to-morrow for the North, as the trouble is now

CHARITABLE BAZAAR.

all over and her services are no longer

Yesterday the churitable bez iar held in the western subpib for the benefit of the Canton Fong. Pin Hospital continued to attract a large number of visitors and the amount collected on that day from the proceeds of sales was \$3,400. The bazzar, which was to have been closed to-day, will remain open for another three days, so it will not be closed until the 14th instant, as a well-known theatrical troups has come up from Hongkong and kindly offered to give three performances and the gate money is to be denated for the benefit of the insititu-

VICEREGAL CAUTION. With reference to the recent disturbances in Canton the Viceroy has now issued a proclamation consisting of several thousand words. in which the Viceroy cautioned the local press not to make too free comments and criticisms on the officials for their alleged unsatisfactory dealing with the disbanded troops

NOTES BY THE WAY.

UPITER PLUVIUS. We have been trained to believe in the axlom that " it never rains but it pours," but jupiter Pluvius is evidently not in a good mood so far as this Colony is concerned. During the past week, the slow and continual drizzle marking the weather conditions has produced a most depressing effect on the nerves of more than one patient individual. Besides covering our splendidly-kept roads (sic) with a rich soft klush, the gentle rain cannot be said to have had the effect of inducing the Water Authority to shake hands with himself. Some of the bills that have been sent to certain households for excess of water consumption have been regular eyeopeners and many a wail of disappointment has gone up. The general cry is "When will the rain come, down?' Somehow or other. everything seems to go dead wrong in good old Hongkong, from the question of the Colong's water supply to the currency matter and

LEGAL MUDDLES. The difficulties which beset the path of the lawyer have always been the subject of fruitful. comment by gentle cynics and others. ... At the adage that a lawyer's profession is not always a bed of roses was well illustrated, when no room. And all for the sake of a single docu-

THE RAILWAY.

Those who take the trouble of intelligently following the local trend of affairs must have read with interest His Excellency's statement with regard to the Kowloon-Canton Railway at the last meeting of the Legislative Coun-It is pleasant to be told after continued disappointments with regard to the cost of the line that within a couple of months or so such, a thing as a train excursion will be made possible to local residents. The consummation of this desirable object and the more important object of opening up the outlying territory have only been accomplished through the administrative foresight of our former Governor and the loss of more than one life to whom the light of day was an uncommon luxury. It is another instance of British

So our streets have been rid at last of one of the most distressing evils of modera civilisation, namely, the demi-mondaine. Too much praise cannot be bestowed on the authorities for taking this happy step and it is to be hoped that a recurrence of the trouble will not arise through unseen channels. CURE FOR LOVE.

Eminent physicians have been able to find

a cure for almost every kind of malady on the face of the earth since its creation but none have been able to cure that strange ailment of mankind-Love. However, the joyful news has been preclaimed to the world by an obscure individual, who doesn't even boast an M.D. After his name, that he has found a remedy, which he claims is proof against, t upid's dart. This papacea for the cure of love is no secret, or, rather, is not intended to be one, and gladity-offer-it-to-my_randers for their use free, gratis and for nothing. The prescription is as follows:--"Cure for Love and a sure preventive of the Breach of Promise Malady. Recommended to all Lovers. Take twelve ounces of Dislike, one pound of Resolution, two ounces of Powder of Experience, a large Sprig of Time, fourteen drams of the Ogiet of Dishonour, one quart of Cooling Water of Consideration, set them over a gentle Fire of Love, sweeten it with the Sugar of Forgetfulness, skim it with the Spoon of Melancholy, put it to the Bottom of your Heart, cork it with the Cork of a Sound Conscience. and then let it remain, and you will instantly find case and be restored to your right senses again, N.B.-These Things are to be had at the Apothecary's, at the House of Understanding, next-door to Reason, in Prudent Street, in the Parish of Contentment." Well, dear reader, what do you think of it? I should say it ought to prove an effective

THE LATEST HEALTH FAD.

A Berlin physician has lately discovered yet acother method of attaining longevity. Too many theories have already been expounded by hare brained physicians of how to live to a ripe old age but this one beats them all and I recommand it to those who wish to be a second edition of Mephistopheles for its refreshing simplicity. All you have to do is to masticate good bard bone and masticate as much of it as you can at each meal, In this way, you will live to quite a respectable age and in the meantime preserve good health before you are called upon to shuffle off this monal coil, I would suggest to you, dear reader, to give the method a trial, expecially proprietors might with advantage direct their. chefs to have two-thirds or more of their dishes consist of the solid matter and pass off as philanthropists while they are about it. The only fear is that few people have the good fortune to be possessed of dental apparatus sufficiently, strong to continue this masticating process for any length of time. Which reminds me of a good story. Here it

THE DENTIST'S MISTAKE.

A yokel fresh from the country visited the metropolis as Christmas was drawing nigh Inorder to purchase a bost of good things. As he was at the time troubled with a bad tooth, he visited a dentist to have his troubles anded. The dentist soon extracted what he thought to be the offending molar and gazed at it with gleeful admiration but the simple rustic in two seconds was up on his fact and shouted at the top of his voice : "Good heavens, mon, Obristmas is near, and you've pulled out the only blessed nut-cracker in me 'end!" It was the wrong tooth.

THE THRIFTY SCOTCHMAN.

Which leads on to another good story. A Scotchman paid a visit to a certain dentist's establishment in Edisburgh and had a tooth extracted. On inquiring the amount of the fee. he was told that he would have to pay half a sovereign. He handed a pound to the knight of the forceps, but as the latter had no change at the time, the intient exclaimed : "Then take out another of them and we'll be square." The request was complied with.

CAPUAL CRITIC

HALF-YEARLY DIVIDEND.

The local office of the Yokohama Specie ing of shareholders held at the head office of Yen 350,000, and to carry torward the sum of searchers, headed by Customs Inspector C. J Yen, 1,167,000 to the next'account.

THE PARIS PLOUBS.

VARIETY BENEFIT ENTERTAINMENT AT-SHAMLEN.

[From an Occasional Correspondent.]

" Shameen, 10th March.

An" Express" has just been issued in Fren. and English of an entertainment which is to be given this evening for the benefit of the flood sufferers in France. Lexically the circular reads:-

"" Under the distinguished patropage of all the Consula residing at Shameen, a variety entertainment for the benefit of the sufferers through floods in France, will be given at the Canton Club Theatre on Thursday, the toth Match, at 91 p.m. " Some of the best local smatture and artistes.

have kindly consented to assist and will contribute to the success of the performance. "The newest and best cinema ograph films

will be shown at intervals. "Admission: -\$3, \$2, \$4. ---

"Soldiers and sariors in uniform-half price. "Programme of the above will be issued on Tuesday alternoon.

"Tickets wil, be sold at the Canton Club Theatre and at Fernandes Noronba & Co., from Tuesday morning.

"On Thursday at 4 p.m., a free cinematographic show will be offered to the children." The programme is as follows :-

il Orchestre par PUNION Lympun ... Interrector Marche, Poisseca

ze Coylan, Cinematographe. Pjano M. Sales. Tendre Aven, Violon Solo. par M. SALES . et accompagne par M. Boerl Musical Turn. par M. GREGORY.

occompagne par M. Baker. s. Sticklast. Cinematographe. Plane. M. Sales. 6. La Vie de Boheme. Romance de Mimi. Chante par

Madame REMUSAT accompagnee par M. Bootl Vercingetoria. Cinematographe. Plano, M. Sales. Entracte to Migutes.

2.ME PARTIE. 8. Le Petit Magiclen. Cinematographe. Piano, M. Sales.

9. Musica Proibita. Chante par M. Gnicker. accompagne par.M. Baker

10. Madame Chrysanteme. Chante par M. Wools. agcompagne par M. Knoth 11. Orchesten. P Unran Lymotte." Meiceditat Walr. Forseca,

is, Carmen. Air de Micaela. Chante par Madame REMUSAT Accompagnee par Mr. le Dr. Rossler. 13. Vues des Rues Inondees-Paris.

'14. Titago de la Tomiona. ' 15. Consultation Improvises. a Cinematographe.

26. Saucy Kate par M. Guggosy. accompagite par. M. Baker. ay, Orchestre, Lusltano Marche, Soura,

Body and the foreign community at Shameen, structions are received. the entertainment promises to be a great success and is certain to result in a substantial monetary collection being made in aid of the Seine victims. The conception of the entertainment sprung sup at the eleventh bour, but the sympathetic character of the concert in itself sufficed to enlist considerable enthusiasm which assures the success of the

"sbow." · A lottery was also organised to swell the takings for so charitable a purpose! In the course of the forenoon quite twelve hundred tickets have been disposed of and as they were sold-at-50 cents each, a sum of \$600 has already. been collected. The lattery promoters have ssued 1,800 tickets, so that f om this source alone \$900 will be derived. The tickets are telling like "hot cakes."

Between \$500 and \$600 is expected to be realised from the proceeds of the Concert at the Club I heatre, and on the whole the organisers expect to net about \$1,500 in found figures.

COMING AMERICAN TOURISTS.

CANTON VISIT ABANDONED.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 10th March. The second party of American round-theworld tourists, consisting of seven hundred odd members, is expected to arrive about the middle of this month on a contemplated visit to the city of Canton. The American Consul at-Canton is reported to have communicated with H. E. Viceroy Yuan, informing him of the coming visit and requesting him to accord them adequate protection as was extended to the party last year. In reply, the Viceroy informed the Consul that, though the recent disturbances in Canton have been suppressed, the state of affairs at present is still unsetticd. H Excellency therefore asked the Consul to advise the tour sts not to extend their visit to the Southern Capital. The Viceroy's reply in which he declined to comply with the Consul's request will no doubt be learnt with regret by the touring party. The first party, who visited Canton last year, was welcomed by the people, and they were abl to do the "sights" of the city of Canton without encountering any trouble. However, the Viceroy has now declined to extend his courtesy to the second party and alleged as his excuse the recent upheaval which has, since been suppressed. This action on the part of the Viceroy were yesterday adversely commented upon by the local newspaper Nam Yuel Pao as being inexcusable and tending to discourage

THE past week's rain induced a Chinaman to steal a brand new umbrella yesterday. In or, in default, fourteen days' hard labour. The man elected to serve his time.

foreign visitors to Canton in the future.

OPIUM SNUGGLING.

DRUG SEIZED ON "CHIYO MARU,"

Those women who made use of the ladies? Bank is in receipt of a telegram from the head | lounging-room on the Chiyo Maru on that vesoffice to the effect that at the Laif-yearly most- | sel's recently ended trip from the Orient were not aware that hidden within the cushions on the Bank, Yokohama, on the 10th instant, it which they reclined and secreted behind the was resolved to pay a dividend of 12 per cent | walls of the room were "almost 200 tins of per annum for the half-year ending the 31st polum, valued, at a most conservative estimate. December, 1909; to add to the reserve fund at \$5,000 (gold)... It was not until a corps of Benniger, ripped open the upholstery of the room yesterday afternoon, reports the Son Francisco Chronicle of 5th ult., and tore down the partition walls of the place that the valuable character of the unlisted-cargo-was-dis-

> . That yesterday's seizure will be but the first of many to be made on the Chine Maru was the expressed opinion of the men engaged in the search yesterday. The number of biding places found on the Siberia last month and the total alue of the drug which was finally discovered is pointed out as an example of what may be expected during the latest search, Ou the Stheria opium was discovered in the life preservers, water coolers, within the piano in the ladies' cabin, secreted in the toes of subber boots in the forecastle of the vessel and in hollowed-out places in the spare masts. Today a systematic search will be made of every hole and corner on the Chiyo Mar u, and the inspectors are confident that before it is ended the total value of the opium found will exceed that of the drug located on the Seberia.

PRICE OF OPIUM RISING. The hop fiends of Chinatown-and those who indulge in the drug in the many "joints". desperate at the lack of the means to indulge in their vice, and the price of the drug is steadily mounting every day. The tremendous profit which is to be made out

of the drug when it is once safely landed here is what caused such frantic attempts. to smuggle it in, as was discovered yesterday. by the Government agents.

A tin of opium can be purchased in the Orient for about \$4, but by the time it gets here it's value has enhanced several fold. A month ago the market value here of the tip-With the number of seizures which have taken place recently and the consequent-loss to the of their cargo seized and still make sufficient for the new. profit on the balance, if it is only landed safely, to well repay# them for their trouble and danger.

SEIZURES WILL BE DESTROYED.

The opium seized yesterday was taken to the Government stores, where it will be kept untiinstructions are received from Washington to destroy it. It will not be sold, because of the law which prohibits its sale in this country, but With the united co-operation of the Consular | will be destroyed by acids as soon as the in-

There was a remour around the Mail dock that "Chick" Wallace, the alleged head of the opium ring on the Pacific Coast, was an interested spectator of the seizure on the Chiyo Mary yesterday. There was a man around the dock who, upon being questioned by the cus toms officials, said his name was Wallace, but he was not identified as the alleged head of the smugglers' combine. Wallace is said to be here from Los, Angeles, and to have found a hiding place in China-town, from whence he is reported to direct the pperations of the gang.

-RECENT-SEIZURES-ON-CHINA-LINES.-Janu ry 13th-Opium to the value of \$10,000 is found in various parts of the steamer Siberia. Japuary 14th-More opium is discovered on Siberia in water coolers, life preservers and in the piano in the ladies cabin. Value of this

January 17th-Inspectors find 25 tins of the drug in hollow posts on the Siberia.

day's baul, over \$1,000

Japuary 18th-More of the drug discovered in rubber boots in forecastle of the Siberia.

of 195 are found hidden in the cushions and walls of the ladies' lounging-room on the Chiye

King Gustaf of Sweden bas conferred upon Sir Robert Bredon the fi st class of the Order of the Polar Star.

THE gentry of Hupeh are reviving the agitation against the Central Chinese Railway loan. Chins, however, is adhering to her undertaking in respect of the loan and an early settlement is expected.

WESSES. Siemssen & Co., the Hongkong agents for Remington typewriters, have issued a brochure justly extolling the recognised merits of the new models of these excellent

THE agent of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. courteously informs us that the total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending 26th February, 1910, amounted to 17,064.39 tons and the sales during the period to 13,537.36 tons.

His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council :- Ordinance No I of 1910,-An Ordinance to amend the Pension Ordinance, 1862; Ordinance No. 2 of 1910.-An Ordinance to further amend the 1910.—An Ordinauce to regulate the Law as to | Sanitary Board on Tuesday next, a report of the Police Court this morning he was fixed \$1, Oaths; and Ordinance 'No. 4 of 1910.-An | the select committee appointed to consider and Fees Ordinance, 1888,

COMMERCIAL.

WEBKLY SHARB RBPORT.

Reviewing the share business for the week, Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie and Co. write on 1st

Business in local stocks has been fairly brisk.

during the week under review, The Rubber market, after some hesitation, has increased in strength and most stocks show an appreciable advance on last week's prices, both in London and Singapore: Fine hard Para rubber is quoted in London at 10/2 per lb. this morning.

Banks.-Hongkong and Shanghai Banks ara still offering locally at \$960. In London, the price has slightly improved to £88.15/ Nationals are without business at \$73.

Marine Insurances.—Cantons are in good demand and sales have taken place at the enhanced price of \$170. North Chinas are still wanted at Tis, 115." Yanguses u.e steady at Tis. 230. Unions have been sold at \$910.

Fire Insurances. - China Fires can be placed at \$100 ex the dividend and bonus of \$8. Hongkong Fires have been dealt in at \$360 and \$362 cum dividend and are now wanted at \$335 ex the dividend of \$27.

Shipping .- China Mavilas are slightly weak or with sellers at \$7% and Daugisses at \$32. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have found buyers at \$30%. Indo-Chinas con tinue in demand at \$63, and in the North at Tis. 84. Shell Transports close with buyers at 78s, after sales at 8os. Small sales of Star Ferries at 526 have taken place.

Refineries.—China Sugars have again re- 243] ceived considerable attention, the price, after dropping to \$168, has since recovered and S170 is now freely offered. Luzous are outside of the Oriental quarter-are getting inquired, for at \$31. Perak Sugars bave had another sensational rise and are now quoted at Tis. 740 after sales to the North at Tis. 600 and Tis. 625.

> Mining.—Raubs are firmer with buyers at \$6. Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. are wanted at Tls. 18.

Docks, Wharves, and Godowns.-Hongkong and Whampon Docks have again receded and can now be bought a 164. Shaughai Docks are a little firmer with buyers at Tls. 83. Kowloon Wharfs have strengthened considerably and sales have taken place as high as purchased in China Jor \$4 was from \$20 to \$25. | 1634. Shanghai and Hongkew Wharfs are lower at Tis. 127.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings,-Hongkong smugglers, of the expected profits, the value of | Lands have been ruling strong and have found a tin was set yesterday at from \$35 to \$50, and | buyers at \$102; at this price, however, a few even in excess of this, should there be much | shares are obtainable. Humphreys Estates difficulty in disposing of it. For this reason | are in favour at \$74. Hongkong liotels have the smugglets can afford to have nine-tenths | been sold at \$110 for the old shates and at .58;

Cotton Mills,- Hongkong Cottons are obtainable at \$6. Ewes have further weakened to 242] Tis, 131. Other Northern Mills, according to latest mail advices, are: Internationals Tis. 64, Lau Lung Mows Tis. 71, Soychees Tis. 370.

Miscellaneous. - Dairy Farms continue strong and sales have taken place at \$18 Ohina-Berneos-have buyers at \$10-and Hongkong Electrics at Szci Green Islands are offering at \$71, China Lights at \$61 and China Providents at 584. Shanghai Sumatras, after touching Tis, 152, have again hardened and sales at Tis, 159a have taken place. Langkats have improved to Tls. 1,085.

Rubbers,-Allagars are quoted at 7/6. Anglo Malays, after receding to 30/- during the early part of the week, have improved and can be placed at 31/9. Castlefields are also firmer at 95/.. Damansaras are steady at 150/- and Golcondas at 126/-. Highlands and Lowlands close firmer at 127/6. Kuala Lumpurs show an improvement on last week's quotation and as high as 170/- has been paid. Linggis are quoted at 47/3 ex rights to new issue. Ledburys have strengthened and have buyers at 95/: but none are obtainable under 102/6. Saggas show a considerable advance and 220/- has been reached. Shelfords are quoted at 65/- and Sekongs at 27/6 premium. Sungei Kapars have risen to 137/6. Carey Uniteds have been sold at 21/6 premium during the week. Eastern Internationals have been in strong demand. closing with buyers at 30/+ premium. Sales of United Serdangs have taken place at 125/2 and London Asiatics at 130/. Balgownies are steady at \$170 (Straits). Indragiris were sold February 4th Cans of opium to the number | as high as \$48 (Straits), but at the close come easier at \$45. Sandycrofts have again come into-demand and have buyers at \$34 (Straits). Sales of United Singapores have been put through at \$2. (Straits) and Glenealys at \$21. Singapore and Johores are possibly obtainable at \$750 (Straits).

Exchange.—The Bank's selling rate on London is 1/8 13/6 on demand. The T/T' rate on Shanghal is 741.

POBLIC HOLIDAYS.

OFFICIAL DATES FIXED.

It is notified that the following public and Bank holidays will be observed as Government nolidays:-

FUHLIC HOLIDAYS. Good Friday, 25th March. King's Birthday, Wednesday, 9th November. Monday, 26th December.

Monday, and January, 1911. BANK HOLIDAYS. Easter Monday, 28th March. Whitmonday, 16th May.

Monday, 1st August. PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAY. Victoria Day, Tuesday, 24th May, His Excellency the Governor, has been pleased to appoint Saturday, the 26th inst., to

be observed as a public holiday. THE Indian who was charged with the abduction of a Chinese girl from the custody of her mother was this morning sentenced to, one month's hard labour.

Liquors Ordinance, 1909; Ordinance No. 3 of THERE will be laid, before the meeting of the Ordinance; to amand the Official Signatures | deal with the question of the removal of ceilloge and stair linings.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE.

Application for Registration of

NIOTICE is hereby given that FOSTER-N McCLELLAN CO. of 8. Wells Street Oxford Street, London, England; 246 and 248, Michigan Street, Buffalo, New York, U.S.A. and 75, Pitt Street, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia; Manufacturers, have on the 7th day of December, 1909, applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of Trade Warks, of the following Trade Marks :-

No. a consists of the representation of man's head and shoulders surmounted by the representation of a human eye with a bird's wing on either side, on one wing being the name "Doan's" and on the other the word "Specialities"

No. 2 consists of the representation of a leaf resembling a holly loaf whereon is inscribed the words "Doau's packache Kidney Pills ".

n, the name of FOSTER-MCULELLAN CO 'who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof. The Trade Marks have been used by the Applicants in respect of the following goods in Class 3 -No. 1 in respect of Chemical Sub-

Pharmacy, and No. 2 in respect of Pills. Facsimiles of the Trade Marks can be seen at the Office of the Registrar of Trade Marks Hongkong,

stances Prepared for Use in Medicine and

Dated the 10th day of March, 1910. FOSTER-MCCLELLAN CO. EDWIN MCCLELLAN. Director.

In the Matter of the Patents Ordinance_1802_and_in_the_Matter_of the Patents Amendment Ordin-

In the Matter of an application made by ERNEST WRIGHT. of St. Mary's Cottage, Waxwell Lane, Pinner, Middlesex, England, Engineer, for a grant of Letters Patent for an Invention for " Improvements in Machines for decorticating the fibrous leaves or stems of plants."

IOTICE is hereby given that the Petition, Declaration and Office Cony of the complete Specification required by the abovementioned Ordinances have been duly filed in the Office of the Registrar of Trade Marks of Hongkong and that an office copy of the Letters Patent will shortly there be filed and that it is the intention of the above-named ERNEST WRIGHT by MATTHEW JOHN DEN-MAN STEPHENS his Solicitor and Agent to apply to His Excellency the Governor for Letters Patent for the exclusive use within the Colony of Hongkong of the said invention. Dated the 10th day of March, 1910.

> MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS Solicitor for the Applicant.

TARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF Sale of the right of erecting and maintaining a Temporary Pier over Crown Foreshore at end of Soy Street, Mongkoktsui, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, on MONDAY, the 14th day of March, 1910, at 3 P.M., for a term of I year commencing from the 1st day of April, 1910,

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Events Coming.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1910.

Saturday, 12th March. Boxing "Bill Lewis" vs " Battling Simms,

Monday, 14th March. Hughes and Hough Auction sale of Lease-

old Property, noon. Tuesday, 15th March.

China Borneo Company Limited, Annual Meeting, at St. George's Building, noon.

Wednesday, 16th-March. Laying Foundation Store of Hongkong University, 4 p.m.

Thursday, 17th March. St. Patrick's Club Concert, 8,30 p,m.

Friday, 18th March,

Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture at " Isn' Mor" Peak Road, 2 p.m. Bandmann Opera Co., "The Arcadians City Hall, 9 p.m.

Saturday, 19th March. Hughes and Hough Auction sale of Jewelery,

meeting, at St. George's Building, 11.30 a.m. Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture at "lan Mor" Peak Road; 2 p.m.

Hongkong Volunteer Corps, Annual Inspection, at Causeway Bay. Bandmann Opera Co., "The Arcadians City Hall, 9 p.m.

Sunday, 20th March. Boxing Tournament at Belle View Stadium.

Monday, 21st March. Bandmann Opera Co., "Our Miss Gibbs, City Hall, 9 p.m..

Tuesday, 22nd March. Hughes and Hough Auction sale of Jewelery! Bandmann Opera Co., "Our Miss Gibbs," City Hall, 9 p.m.

China Sugar Refinery Co., Ltd., Annual Meeting, at the offices of Jardine, Matheson Co., Ld., II a.m. Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., Annual Meeting, at the offices of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ld., 17.30 8.00.

Thursday, 24th March.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE,

Application for Registration of Trade Mark

OTICE is bereby given that NESTLA & 'Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co. Company incorporated under the Laws of iwitzerland), of Cham, Switzerland; and St. George's House, 6 & 8, Eastcheap, London, England; Manufacturers, have on the 6th day of August 1909, applied for the registration, in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks



n the name of NESTLE & ANGLO-SWISS CON-DENSED MILK Co. who claim to be the sole

Proprietors thereof. The Trade Mark has been used by the Applicants in respect of the following goods :-

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P.M., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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Manile-Per Tean, 15th Mar., 2 P.M.

Hankow-Per Yanon, 15th Mar, 3 P.M.

Laisang, 15th Mar, 10 A.V.

-Bangkok 27th Feb., Timber and Rice.-

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4th Mar.,-Vancouver, B. C. 10th Mails

Nor. s.s., 860, N. Anderson, 4th Mar.,

Saigon 17th Feb, Rice.-Asgaard, Thore-

Mary-Tarakan 27th Feb., Liquid Fuel

Mar.,-Haiphong 8th Mar., Gen.-A. R.

Chowfa, Ger. s.s., 2,055, F. Schmeit, 6th Mar,

Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s., 864, H. Murayama, 11th

Empress of Jap. Br. s.s.; 3,300, W. Danison,

Fumi Maru, Jap s.s , 1.569; S. Kawamura, 7th

Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 739 A. Cornelinssen, 12th

Hunst, Br. s.s., 2,998, A. D. Moody, 10th Mar.,

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Canton 27th Feb., Gen,-B.& S.

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Liberia, Ger. s.s., 3,6 o, Knansel, 11th Mar.,-

Singapois 5th Mar., Gen .- H.A. L.

Manchuria, Am. s.s., 8,750, A. Dixon, 7th Mar.

Patting, Br. s.s., 7,059, R. L. Jones, soth Mar.,

Cherbon 28th Feb., Sugar.- J. C. J. L.

-Saigon 4th Mar., Rice,-B. & S.

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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg

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FORECAST.

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Director of the Hongkong Observatory :-

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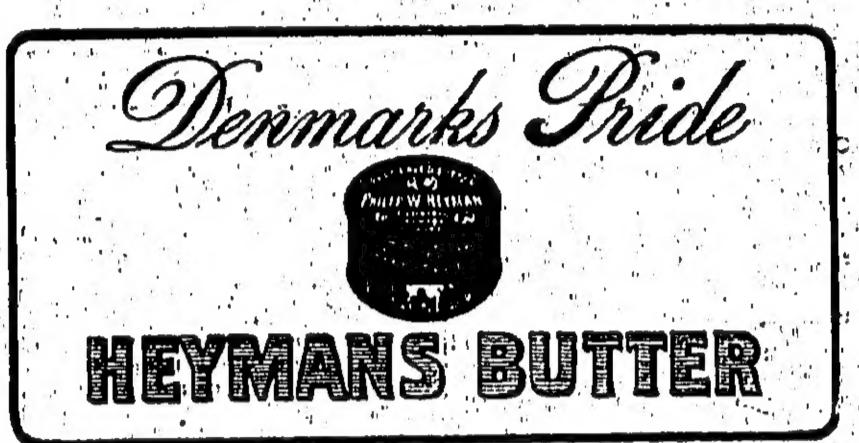


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DEATH. On February 28, 1910, at Shanghai, Charles

MAIL SUPPLEMENT, ISSUED GRATIS TO SUBSCRIBERS.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 1910. CHINA'S CORRENCY.

(7th March.)

The imposition of a higher rate of duty on Silver in India with its consequential drop in exchange as affecting the Colony, their money, especially as the merchants once again brings into prominence the ques- and gentry manifested no special enthusiasm tion of the currency problem in China in in the scheme. Nor is their attitude to berespect to which Hongkong has long since wondered at. China after all, outside the been wedded. Professor E. H. Parker, of leisured and fortunate class, is inhabited by Manchester University, at a recent meeting people who are practically on the verge of of the Manchester Statistical Society brought | starvation all the time. If the rains are to the notice of its members a paper on over-plentiful and the rivers burst their Chinese commerce, banking and economics, boundaries the peasants are immediately which is of special value in enlightening those faced with the spectre of famine. Witness who have little conception of the chaotic the condition of affairs along the West River condition of China's monetary system, when that stream was in flood a few years In the course of his remarks Professor Par- | ago and the same thing is true of other ker said that Manchester merchants will parts of China which are less known naturally be more interested in cotton goods than the populous river in question. than in anything else, and it is therefore sad It was almost absurd to expect that such to have to record for 1908 a decrease in a long-headed people as the Chinese value of Tis, 8,000,000, which sum (had the would throw away their money without even tael been valued as highly as in 1907) means I the hope of a prospective return. When Tis, 18,000,000 from the British manufac- the Cantonese rushed to subscribe towards turers' sterling price and quantity point of the building of the Canton-Hankow railway view. Similarly, woollen and cotton mix- they had clearly before their minds the protures declined by one-half in quantity, and | bability of the line paying handsome dividby Tis. 1,100,000 in value. Woollens de- ends, but such an idea could not be enterclined in quantity only, but not in value- tained where they were asked to make a dustrially at their mercy. The silver dollar far as can be ascertained the thing has ended gence of British and American financiers, will eventually be based on gold, would, in smoking accompanied by alcoholism. The mud, of bridges that could hardly bear the

tional gold value of 4s. 2d.) is only worth between is. 6d. and is. 9d. ; and the fluctuation were in a generously patriotic frame of mind. are so great that even during the past twos years silver has fallen from 25 to 30 per cent. in relation to gold. This means that instead of paying the Manchester merchant 310 silver taels for £100 worth of shirtings, as in days of yore, the unlucky Chinaman has now to pay Tls 700 for £ 100. No wonder that first the Bombay and Hooghly cotton mills, then the Japanese mills, and now the China mills springing up in every direction threaten intended to return one-fourth of the Boxer to sweep Lancashire trade off the Eastern seas. Sixty or seventy Chinese, men and spite of these inducements the enthusiasm women mixed, can be hired for the same is spent, the furore is over, the stream of sovereign which pays only from four to subscriptions has become a tiny trickle baresix English mill hands for the day. No ly sufficient to float the necessary postage wonder there is talk of the American stamps to their destination and we hear Steel Corporation starting rolling mills in nothing more now of either the Navy Fund Shansi, which the Pekin Syndicate has just or of the National Debt Redemption Assoabaudoned under "rights recovery" pres- ciation, "Perhaps it is as well; for what does works for the same reason, whilst the coal, is no reason whatever why China should province show signs of very great activity, for the present and devote her energies even exportation coke abroad. A British to making the best of her resources. firm has tentatively speculated in the ex- This she seems determined not to do. portation of clean, nice fed Chinese pork There is wisdom in these words of our confrom Hankow, and, however much we may temporary and in the same vein of sarcasm ridicule the speculation, it certainly is a very it continues: "We 'learn that the 'Anhui striking sign of the times.. Prof Parker did | Mining Concession, so well and so lamentnot profess properly to understand currency ably known as the Tungkuanshan affair which questions, but, so far as he could see China's was the property of a British syndicate of safety consisted in maintaining a silver basis, which Sir John Lister Kaye was the leading and in keeping the standard of living as low spirit, is to be bought back by the Chinese as possible. Isven the Japanese are begin- Government under pressure from the gentry ning to see, despite their gold currency, that and other he'er do wells of Anhui for the their true economic safety lies in the simpli- sum of £52,000. It appears that the holders city of personal wants. The saying, "Man of the concession have already spent some needs but little here below," acquires new £48,000 in the preliminary development of weight when applied to the restless luxury the concession and that there was ore to the Chinese banking, Professor Parker said that ling in sight. When the Anhul folk had in principle it was very much the same as found out what a vast source of wealth had pocus carefully nurtured by the first-class banking element who juggled with taels and dollars every day.

THE LACK OF COHESION IN CHINA.

(8th March.) One of the exploded aspirations of patrio-

tic Chinese would appear to be the proposal

for the redemption of the national debt. That those responsible for the suggestion that the debts of China should be con solidated and met by public subscription were animated by the lostiest motives cannot be. doubted, but it seemed evident from the first that it was doomed to failure on account of its Utopian grandeur. It was pointed out by promoters of the scheme that if only a few of the four hundred millions of Chinese gave substantial aid to the National Debt Redemption Association the fund raised would be amply sufficient to pay off the foreign creditors, of China, which, if we'remember aright, amounts to some \$130,-000,000. But while a few officials indicated their intention of subscribing the majority decided, in vulgar parlance, to wait and see how the cat jumped. They were taking no chances, of throwing away i.e., the Chinaman had to pay more silver free gift of their cash and dollars. The for the same sterling value. The misfor- Shanghai Mercury prophesied a few weeks tunes of Lancashire, on the other hand, ago that China's effort to pay off her nationare the triumph of China, for the Shanghai | al debt by means of voluntary contributions yarn mills in 1908 distributed 88 per cent. was likely to come to naught and the predicmore yarn than in 1907, and vast quantities tion seems in a fair way to be realised. The prosperity of China probably there is none will not be disputed. But to say that vision goes down to 6/24, 6/60, or less, the are now being pressed and packed in Shang- same seems to be the late of the Navy Fund. which has received a greater degree of attent the Empire as a whole is poor, that it patient, as in the case of cataract, sees best ordinates. And there are few subordinates. hai, shipped to Dalny, and thence taken by. We have heard a good deal about promises tion than that relating to the currency of the is "one of the poorest of lands" will not in twilight, and there is a characteristic centrain straight to Moscow. As recently of subscriptions, we have heard of none be- Empire. It has inspired the pens of writers hold water. He goes on to refer to the dis- trail scotoms for red and green. This is, of the side of parsimony. Take it as you will, the pointed out by Mr. Moreton Frewin in the ing paid, we have heard pothing of the ap- of the most diverse views, it has been the inclination of the Chinese to accept foreign course, of the greatest importance in sailors tale of the reliway is not a happy one. We Avorth American Review, this all means that pointment of a receiving office for these subject of treaties and conventions, it has help and proceeds: "One argument there and engine-drivers. It is specially caused seemed defective believe b the yellow races, if they persistently hold on subscriptions, and we heard nothing for some been dealt with in edicts and memorials ad is which has some weight. Exporters argue by smoking on an empty stomach, and occurs thing of bridges that had to be blown up, of to a silver currency, will soon have us in time of the subscriptions themselves. As nameam, it has exercised the wir and intelli-

princes and nobles and a carefully calculated rumour that the ever-beneficent United States, sympathising with a nation struggling to pay off a debt that some half dozen of their own millionaires would regard as about the cost of a week-end at Newport, Indemnity as a subscription to the fund. In and coke industries of Ping-siang in Kiangsi not be content with such pavy as she has of our Western social system. Concerning value of over three-quarters of a million sterour own except that a larger proportion of, been lying under their feet for ages without the Chinese business was done in exchange being drawn upon they became angry and cash of different values, and hence, in spite necessary to follow the whole story in detail. Stripes on the North Pole. Nevertheinnumerable new industries, the economic nothing." The importance of foreign capital sidering the attitude of those in China who condition of the laborious masses was more and foreign labour to China is borne out in are opposed to drastic reforms in the curprecarious at this moment than ever it was, other directions: It is useless at this juncture rency of the Empire he says: "The oband all trade transactions were in a state of for China to imagine that she can do every- jectors are first and foremost those who have uncertainty. The obvious remedy was a thing for herself. Her army is the creation of vested interests. Besides them there are radical reform and standardisation of the foreigners, what is left of her navy is the bide-bound conservatives incapable of apcurrency. But far reaching and injurious remnant of a navy built up by foreigners that prociating anything newer than the beginning though all this petty tangle of copper "cash" would have been able to give a good account of the last dynasty. These latter will oppose payments might be, it was nothing when of itself but for ignorance and stupidity and a new monetary system simply because it is and that has been built up by a foreign staff. If there is a different value to the tacl in There is not a single sphere of political and every province now, so there was in the days national activity in which China has made of the Mings. Men weighed their silver progress without the help of foreign brains | then, why not now? These excellent people and guidance. Perhaps the writer in con- forget that times have changed. Many of tors are going a step too far, but there is foreign Settlement. They know that there truth in the statements from the fact that are such things as railways because their when men like Yuan Shih-kai and the newspaper tells them so, but they do not late Chang Chih-tung proved their ability know that what the railway means in the they were summarily dismissed and even world of travel, a modern currency means a forceful statesmanlike Shum against in the world of business, viz., a saving whom the Chinese can have no grievance of time, together, with greater certainty as to his foreign proclivities because they are in operation. All that is wanted to connil, is allowed to rust in retirement. What vince such as these is experience." Of is the remedy then? China, we are told, course that is largely academical, and the needs new life, new energy, new motive, new | writer scarcely, gets beyond that stage when tickled in the ear by foreign energy. She and there are many of them, there must be needs to wake up thoroughly and put forth added the arguments of the interested. her immense strength in an active and not There are the old-fashioned bankers who in a passive, form. This she cannot do so hitherto have pretty well monopolized the long as divided councils prevail, so long financial profits of native trade. If the new as the provinces, are content to bluster system is to cut at the root of their gains, and Peking is content to be browbeaten, then it is but natural for them to kick, and It is not suggested that the foreign powers, kick hard, against change. If there are a which are united in a common resentment good many Shansi men, bankers by birth, tics, will do more than make diplomatic generations, we need not be surprised if they suggestions on the advisability of engaging strenuously oppose everything tending, as up and down fight and this China may are possessed of sufficient insight into the to her sorrow and discomfort discover. true nature of things to discern that in the be there is nothing in the world to prevent that the people may be inclined to consider on opium which was tabled at the the other nations; and just as the various best means can she rise to the higher level cause unpleasant symptoms, after ten or bodies are held in shape and form by mole- of other lands. Besides, even if it were true fifteen years. These symptoms are: Tremor, cular attraction so must China retain her that she had done so well in times past, there | the commonest, fine, rhythmical and interintegrity and her form by the close binding Is no reason why she should not do better in mittent; giddiness; vaso-motor effects, coldtogether of every portion of her Empire.

CHINA'S CURRENCY QUESTION, certainly a most point; at all events has been called intra-nocturnal insomnia— buildings." That is a phrase which we have seen

it is open to argument, unless the writer the sufferer goes to bed and to sleep, but wakes before, and while we can honestly attribute to (9th March.) Of all the questions which concern the the very poor of the nations, a fact which unrefreshing dozes; tobacco-amblyopia, (exectly the same in intrinsic asine as the in less than smoke find it is backstop that and sport of penetition from of topscoo belacing arress of a construction flust. Lydes state most molecular form of topscoo belacing arress of a construction flust. Lydes state most molecular from of topscoo belacing arress of a construction flust. Lydes state most molecular from of topscoo belacing arress of a construction flust. Lydes state most molecular from of topscoo belacing arress of a construction flust. Lydes state most molecular from the first most into an intrinsic arrest form of topscoo belacing at the first most molecular from the first molecular from the fi

American silver dollar, which has the conven- this is no more than the official body ex. the currency system has been plunged has cannot be denied that the tendency of all is caused by a combination of beer drinking pected, but that was no reason why the she- created a situation in Hongkong and Shanghal, the two chief distributing centres of for gold countries that would be found where ettes. This mixture of evils is very potent foreign commerce in China which is absolute- the currency was silver. This, therefore, in causing pharyngitis, intermittent heart, ly indefensive. It is with weary reiteration would tend to the growth of exports. We and mental "depression." Truly such that we have referred to the terms of the see that tendency now in operation in China. a "list is calculated to frighten the Mackay Commercial Treaty of 1902 which But export trade is but half the commercial most confirmed user of tobacco in any or all laid it down precisely and explicitly that work of a country. What of the imports? its forms, but we think even smokers them-"China agrees to take the necessary steps to Just as exports become cheap, imports grow selves will agree that there is much to be provide for a uniform national coinage which dear. The loss would counterbalance the said against the use, not to say the excessive shall be legal tender in payment of all'duties, gain. Indeed, the whole argument is use, of cheap cigarettes. At the present, taxes and other obligations throughout the based on an old and exploded idea that time the Hongkong market is flooded with Empire by British as well as Chinese sub- it would be a good thing for a country to cheap cigarettes, made of the commonest jects." And still nothing has been done to export everything and import nothing. By tobacco and "got up" in the most attractive remedy the lamentable evil which has been that means she would grow rich beyond brought about by the supreme lethargy of the dreams of avarice, it was thought. No- pernicious effect on the nerves cannot be the Imperial Chinese Government to tackle body now but laughs at such an idea." gainsaid, especially in the case of the the question in an attempt to unravel the There is nothing in that view to which tangle which exists in China's currency. reasonable people will object, but the diffi-Sir Alexander Hosie, the British commercial attaché to China, showed in a White truth of the argument. Coming to the crux ket in this Colony be purged of this Paper issued a few years ago how the va- of the matter the writer in the National Resure; just as, again, the boot mills of Cawn- China want with-a-navy, and why should garies of the currency affected the interpore have begun to cut in upon the British she worry herself about a debt the annual provincial trade of the Empire, how in China needs further hims as to the speedy forbid the importation of all kinds of tobacco pore have begun to cut in upon the American leather industries. A great service of which she can meet without diffifuture seems to lie before the Hanyang iron | culty if her finances are regularized? There | differed to the extent of two or three hundred | the present week should supply them. When | check should be placed on the sale of to, cash, thereby hampering and restricting everybody hoped and thought that there was bacco to children under the age of 16 years. native industries and commercial dealings in a chance for at least a period of stable, if native products and especially enhancing the not of rising, exchange there suddenly comes complexities of foreign traders. In Hongkong a drop of a halfpenny or more in a single impose a tax on cigarettes but we scarcely the question of overcoming the original day! What can the honest, careful merdifficulties of the subsidiary currency has chant do under such circumstances? He sired effect. It would be costly to collect become historical and the Government with is practically forced to be a gambler whether all the talent of the financiers of the Colony or no? Profit is turned to loss, hope to at its command confesses that it is practically despair, and a promising outlook to a if it were made an offence to sell cigarimpossible to devise a satisfactory way out of gloomy certainty. There is no escape from the impasse. When we find that one day a such risks either, unless China, in common Hongkong banknote stands at a premium of with the rest of the world, throws in her o to 1d per cent and that economical people lot with the stable standard, gold. It is find it worth while to visit the money chang- | absurd to say that she cannot get it, that ers daily before visiting the markets one can it is costly, and so on. She can buy course has been tried with success in London. realise how it is that the price of all house- guns, and machinery, and foreign prohold commodities continues to increase. | ducts of all sorts. Gold is but another pro-The fluctuations in the value of the white | duct. It can be got as other products are metal are also a source of perpetual trouble got, and it has this advantage over most of the rest: it is practically indestructible." to the mercantile community and handicap The suggestion that China can afford to. the simplest of business transactions in a manner that is almost incredible. An able buy guns, etc., seems to contradict the state- idea were adopted in Hongkong. ment regarding the poverty of the country, writer in the Autional Review, who has been contributing a series of articles to the but we may let that pass. While as we have pure and simple. The true currency of put every obstacle in the way of the develop- Shanghal publication on Chinese affairs, said the article in question is interesting, it China was not silver in any form, still less ment of the mines, and even when they were takes up the subject in the latest issue of adds little or nothing to our knowledge. It gold, but hard bronze coins strung together in offered a share in the enterprise they declin- that journal, but we are afraid that he is as only says in another way that the difficulties jointsof a hundred so as to form a full string of a ed to have anything to do with it unless the far off from discovering the solution as surrounding the currency question grow thousand There were several varieties of foreigners were completely ousted. It is un- Dr. Cook was in planting the Stars and greater every day. Possibly a way will be of the activity in trade, in spite of the intro- The upshot is already known; exit foreign capi- less his theories are as interesting currency and such a consummation is duction of railways, of scientific mining and tal, enter-what? Nobody knows. Probably as his style is philosophical. In con- devoutly to be desired. YOUTHFUL CIGARETTE FIBNDS IN HONGKONG. (10th March.) compared with the huge system of hocus- corruption ashore. Her only reliable revenue new. "Cash" was good enough for their garded with a certain degree of tolerance by comes from the Imperial Maritime Customs grandfathers; it is good enough for them. the other is indulgence in the habit of to-

One of the many forms of mild dissipation which have been condemned out of hand by one section of the medical profession and rehabit described in terms that were almost equal in their rancour to the most perferved denunciations of the opium habit and on the other side the medical supporters of the condemning wholesale the Chinese administra- them have never seen the new life of a sumption of tobacco through the medium of the cigarette have been no less strong in maintaining that little or no harm is done this form of smoking. Of course, such matters there are always two sides to the question and the difficulty is to distinguish between the value of the respective opinions. Wherever there is over indulgence harm is bound of necessity to accrue, but if there is any real injury done by the smoking of tobacco in moderate quantities one would fancy the effects would be apparent in the driving power. So far she has but been he says that, "To such old-world objections, Far East generally, and in Hongkong in men and children, daily enjoy their quantum of tobacco in the various forms in which it is prepared. And yet it cannot be said that there is any real evidence of the pernicious effects of indulgence in what is cheerfully known as the "fragrant weed." While th members of the scafaring community visiting Hongkong almost invaribly cling to the pipe, against China's procrastinating characteris- bankers by descent from other bankers for and the taipans to the cigar the average youths pin their faith to the humble cigarette, and it is no uncommon sight to see Chinese foreign advice especially in her railway they may now think, to their detriment. ladies of the middle classes unostentationally ventures, but it is submitted that there But we do not anticipate that such opposi- puffing away at the last named even in the are forms of foreign interference which tion will be of very long continuance in public street. Now, what are these conwould be much more galling than a straight their case, for the simple reason that they sumers of tobacco tendering themselves liable to by their habit, which is regarded with so much disfavour by certain bigots? was only likely to cost a few million dollars, Our contemporary in Shanghai observes that | end the new system will mean as great a The question is answered by Dr. Walter Law. it is almost certain that the foreign Powers total of profit as the old by reason, for ton in a paper contrituted to the Pharmaceuhave, not the slightest intention of partition one thing, of the great amount of tical journal which is quoted by Mr. Frank ing China, but whatever their intentions may business that will be done." He argues Browne, Government Analyst, in his report China falling to pieces, even at this time of the claims of the money changers who will meeting of the Legislative Council. day, if the various elements in the simply be ruined" were there any change in that paper Dr. Lawton wrote:-"Tobacco country do not exercise themselves in the the existing system and says: "Then there is frequently smoked to the full extent direction of cohesion. Just as the various is another class which may argue that China of a person's capacity for its enjoyment, from the point of view of those who have to members of the solar system are held has got on all right without the new-langled and it is hard to say what a moderate together by gravitational forces, and each things now being forced on her. That is not dose of tobacco-smoke really is. But the assists to hold the other in its place, so true. China has never got on 'all right.' She consumption of from a half to one ounce of the privilege lof erecting a terminal station. China must keep place in the family of is one of the poorest of lands, and her people | the strongest forms of tobacco, shag nations by accepting aid and strength from the poorest of people. Only by using the cavendish, daily, is found, sometimes to the thumb of those who know little or nothing

China is one of the "poorest of lands" is sweating of forehead; sleeplessness—what Hongkong is to doin the matter of "inexpensive

means that individual Chinese are among after two or three hours to spend a night of the Governor the intention of exercising a rigid

time to come." Whether it is a fact that ness of the extremities, pallor of face and

style. That these are bound to exercise a young who are only habituating themselves to the custom of smoking. The culty will be to convince the Chinese of the question is then: Can the tobacco marcheap and nasty product? While we do not It might be suggested that one way of dealing with this undoubted evil would be to think that such a course would have the deand the return would be entirely incommensurate with the expenditure involved. Whereas ettes to children of tender years and unformed habits a direct blow would be struck at the root of the evil, and what is more it would have the support and approval of the most propounced and confirmed smokers. Such a New York and elsewhere with the happiest results and there is no reason why the plan should not be put into execution with equal success in Hongkong. At all events the Government would be doing a service to the Colony and to the rising generation if the

> MILLIONS OF DOLLARS NO *OBJB01*,

In those honeyed words with which His Ex-

collency the Governor charms the members of

(11th March.)

the Legislative Council, the revised estimates of the cost of the railway from Kowloon to

Canton were presented at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council. We quite. appreciate the fact, that the Governor is. very much at the will of those in charge of the undertakings for which His Excellency has to stand responsible, but we should not fancy that those who have to a certain extent. misled the people who have to pay the piper will feel very satisfied with the story told concerning the railway. All along it has been increase on increase, millions on millions, defections and ineptitude. It was with the courage of a Crusader that Sir Frederick Lugard told yesterday how the original estimate as to the cost of completing the construction of the 33 miles of line had risen from eight million dollars in 1907 to over twelve and a quarter millions to-day. That is no small sum, if you come to consider the matter in its proper fight; the evidence is, indeed, a serious inroad on the finances of the Colony. As a matter of fact, at this rate, the railway may become an incubus more than anything else, a sort of Old Man of the Sea. But the millenium is coming, for is it not laid down that the line is to be open to traffic to July next and that it will be completed by December of this year. The figures show that for every mile laid on the British section of the Kowloon-Canton railway something like \$53,800 will have to be paid. Credit the total amount to the railway If necessary, but the sum of over twelve millions bas to be liquidated by the Colony. How many of us will live to see that enormous financial engagement fulfilled by a Colony which, but for the unexpected resources of the Opium Farm, would have been on the verge of insolvency, is just capable of paying its way and keeping the brokers at arm's length? In his joyous spirit of optimism. His Excellency spoke of the admirable work done. We will grant that the work done has been admirable, although we do not necessarily admit the anunciation, that the extras are due to the failure of those in charge of the railway to remember that such charges as interest on capital expenditure and loss on exchange should be included in an estimate, should be blindly passed over. We do not even ask. what the final revised account is likely to be. Fortunately, for the nonce we can leave that. over. But what we should like to know is this. -Who was originally responsible for the idea that the railway was a mere paltry sffair, which compatible with its extent and commensurate with its value? His Excellency the Governor dated his remarks from 1907, but the railway was in course of construction long before that time. Every reader possessed of the bowels of compassion will commiserate Sir Frederick Lugard on the fact that be was to shoulder the burdens of others, of saddles not of his own making, but that makes the matter no better the Colony may not have yet to pay four lakhs of dollars in excess of what was estimated for

course, to the Crown Colony system, under

which to permanent officials in London mat-

ters are referred regarding which they have no

knowledge. And that is not all. We know

practically nothing of what the Government of

. His Excellency is necessarily bound to respect

the recommendations of his principal sub-

matters of detail, more hapbaxard socidents, against which, we will in all charity saying engineering skill could prevail. 'But, again we have to ask, who should be held responsible; As the head of the Government His Excellence with great ability supported his officers, or pecially so when he stated that the most costly tuonel along the route had been constructed by contract labour while the cheapest had been done by the staff. But we are no to be beguiled by such explanations from recognising the fact that "up to date the

rallway has cost four millions more than was originally estimated and that it is likely to cost a great deal more. The savings here and the savings there are as fleabites to the excesses. here and the increased expenditure there Granted that everybody employed in connection with the railway have done their best to conserved the" money of the ratepayers and Sir Frederick Lugard paid handsome tributes to those at the head of the respective depart, ments-thow, does that affect the result? simply points to the sad and clusive calcula-

tions of those who pretend to be capable of institucting this Colony in the art of railway construction. To show how far we have gone we heed only quote a meagra item in the report of Mr. Lindsof-whose services should have been obtained long ago.! Mr. Lludsey, the managing director, writes: . There remains a good deal to be done before the railway can be said to be completed. Stations and quarters

or both have to be bullt at all stations. Workshops and watering arrangements bave to be erected and the reclamation must be finished the shops nothing can be done in this respect because the site for the workshop is not levelled off nor is the steel work likely to be out before April. Girders for bridges 4 and will not be out till the end of March." cheerful paragraph in very truth. No wonder that the Governor said in his speech at the Legislative Council: " I am thankful to say that all the tunuels on the railway are now com-

plefed." It is the only occasion, if unless we are

mistaken, when His Excellency uses the word.

thatikful." How "thankful" will he be whon

he is able to say - Finish For there is no more thankless task than that of inferentially white-washing others; and although we say itwith all innocence, the Governor is not an adept at what some seem to consider a pastime, Now and then we begin to consider what the Ohlites section is to cost the Cantonese Government, but that meditations were as unprofitable date. as an nawcoded garden. The sum total of the matter is that Hongkong is committed to the amazing 'expenditure of over twelve million dollats-and more to follow-for a 21-mile railway, line which has taken about five years to complete. It is not completed yet, but no matter. What return may we expect to gain We can only live in the hope and trust that the outley: will be equal to the visionary views of those who contain the belief that our object of diverting Chips's commerce in the Southern provinces, of developing the New Territories

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

and of expanding the trade of this Colony wi

be amply achieved, and that the dividend will

compensate Hongkong for the remarkable pro-

is pearing completion.

fact which as we are assured by the Governor

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 4th March.

THE RECENT RIOTS.

Lai Kwai Shum, a member of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, arrived here on the 2nd inst. with instructions from the Imperial Government to make inquiries into matters connected with the recent disturbance between the newly trained troops and the police in Canton.

It has already been reported that, owing to the regrettable killing of the newly trained soldiers who unfortunately met their death the recent glots in Canton, the people have given public expression to their great sympathy with them and have arranged for a memorial study. service to be held on the 13th instant. However, the Provincial Educational Commissioner has now issued a proclamation prohibiting students from attending the proposed service. and has also given orders that the proposed service be abandoned in order not to arouse the feelings of the people.

THE VICEROYALTY.

A remour is current in Capton official circles: that the present Vicercy of the Ling Kwapg province, H.E. Yang Shu Heun, will probably be transferred to Szechuan province very short-

ly, as the result of the recent riots in Canton, CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY. The follow returns show the passenger trafficand receipts of the Canton-Hankow Railway.

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PLAGUE AT FATSHAM.

Canton, 5th March. Plagna bas broken out in the Tez Shan disease have been reported.

BELY-GOVERNMENT SOCIETY. Atcircular has been issued by the Canton Self-Government Society to convene a public almost a thousand dollars more than the meeting to be held on the 5th instant for the 'amount realised on the preceding day. purpove of discussing a protest against the

FLOWER-HOATE.

It will be romembered that after the dience troug fire in January last year, the then Viceroy gave orders for the abolition of the flower-boats on the river. . Contrary to expectations the boat pennie have now submitted, a petition to Viceroy Yuan, through the Taotal for the Development of Native Industries, and have obtained parmissibn to resume their business affeat or board the flower boats as before at the same place near Tai Sha Tau.

CHARITABLE BAZAAR.

Canton. 7th March. On the 6th instant the charltable bazaar to be continued for a work for the purpose o talsing money towards the funds for the maintenauco of the well known Canton Fong Pi Hospital was formally opened in the presence of many officials and the local gedtry in a large matshed erected in the western suburb, Several hundred ladies of well-to-do and respectable

families were present to offer their assistance at the barear and a band was also presont 'And playing 'selections of music maintain order, the Police authorities blaced a number of policemen at the entrance and the immediate neighbourhond of the matched There was for sale a large duantity of faucy articles, mostly embroidered work and works of art presented by the students of the various girl schools. On the first day over a thousand dollars was collected from the proceed of the sale; several foreigners availed themselves before the goods yard can be laid. As regards | the opportunity to wish the bezzar, yesterday Sunday, and liberally patrovised the fare,

> BANK-NOTE ISSUE. The bank notes issued by the Canton Gov. eroment Bank styled Kwan Yen' Chin Chu, A to the amount of about \$10,000,000 since 1904 have been found to be very acceptable in the money market in Cauton and many other | With regard to the amount placed to the places. This bank has now again asked the Lextra reserve fund I would point out that Viceroy to apply for authority from Peking to during the 'year' we further extended Issue 1,500,000 notes more of St denomination redeemable at par in ten to-cent subsidiary

CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT. H. E. Vicerov Yuan Shu Haun has wired Governors in all the provinces of Ohins and to submit a joint Memorial to the Throne utging Imperial annetion for the establishment of Conilitutional Government in China at an ear

CHARITABLE BAZAAR.

Canton, 8th March.

For the last two days hundreds of people all classes visited the charitable bazzar and or the 1st day, the 6th instant, \$1.650 was collected from the patroners and \$1.038 on the following day, for the Benefit of the Canton Fong Pin Hospital, "The British and American Tobacco Company also kindly presented a handsome gift in the form of a quantity of various kinds of cigarettes as well as their Chinese picture calenders to the bazaar committee, and a large sum of money was realised from the sale of these articles. It is remarkable to note the spontaneous charity on the next of several ladies and gentlemen who contributed \$200 each simply for a bottle of agrated water or a cup of milk, or for a little picture, etc. Many other generous persons donated sums of Side each for articles of no intrinsic value.

BLACKMAIL.

The comprederes of the steamers Sainant and Nanning trading on the West River are reported to have received blackmailing letters from robbers who demanded a sum of 2,000 table. In the letters, it was stated that if the amount demanded be not forthcoming, the writers of the letter will not fail to do harm to the recipients. The matter has been reported to the local officials.

MILITARY STUDENTS.

Seventy students, who have completed their course of study in the Canton Military College. left for the Klaug-nan Military College yesterday for a further course of three years'

YUMCHOW AND LIMCHOW: The recent disturbances in the prefectures of Yumchow and Limchow have been entirely suppressed and everything has resumed its normal aspect. The commander of the Government troops there. Taotal Kwok Yun Chang, arrived here, yesterday to report the matter to the Viceroy.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY. The Canton-Hankow Railway, Company received a telegram on the 6th instant from the Ministry of Posts and Communications at Pekiog with instructions that the collection of the second call on the shares of the company should he concluded on the 20th day of the ard moon (20th April next) at the lafest without apy further extension of period.

HIGH PRICE OF OPIUM. -

Canton, oth March. Three months ago the price of raw oplum (foreign) at Canton stood at about \$17 per catty. and prepared oplum at \$2.40 per tael. In the course of last week, the price of the drug has advanced considerably to about \$20 for one catty of raw, and \$3.00 for one tack of prepared

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY. In a telegram to the Cauton-Hankow Railway Company at Canton, the Ministry of Posts and Communications at Poking required the Company to give an explanation in detail as to how a sum of over 5,000,000 table, was spent during last Chinese year and that only a go I section of the railway from Yun Tam; to Shek-Pai Hang was completed: The Company is instructed to submit the required explanation, with all the accounts of the Company for the year, to the Ministry for audit, one month from the date of receipt of the telegram. The Canton press are full of comments animadverting on the board of directors for the large sums of money spent in one year when so more than one section of only 30 Il can be shown for the expenditure. There were also cumerous complaints from the sail. way shareholders against the officials of the Company for the alleged unsatisfactory manner in which constructional work has been carried on under the present board of directors.

CHARITABLE BAZAAR. Yesterday the charitable bazaar for the benetinued to attract hundreds of visitors, "There" was also present a foreign Sister of the French' Mission with a number of girl students who village, in Fatshan, and many cases of the presented a large quantity of their works of art as gifts to the barner. The amount collected from the proceeds of sales on that day was two thousand and six hundred odd dollars, being

THE CHINA PIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ANNUAL MEETING

"The forty-first mosting of shareholders in the China Fire Insurance Co., Ld., was held at the company's office, at noon, to-day, for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the directors for the year ending 31st December, 1900, Mr. R. Shewan (chairs) man of directors) presided. There were alar present:-- Messrs, J. W. Bundow, G. Ballock F. Lieb, H. A. Siebs, J., W. C. Bonnar, E. Shellim (directors), J. W. E. Machado, K. D. Gazdar, A. H. M. da Silva, A. Turner, J. Taylor, A. P. de Costa, W. H. Wickham, G. S. Cruickshapks Coan Patte and Ho F. Hickman (acting secretary).

ening the meeting... The Chairman said :- Gentlemen. - Th ilrectors" report and statement of th Company's accounts for the past' your havin been in your hands for some itime, 11, wil subject to your approval, now adopt the usua course and take them as read. It gives the Board much pleasure to present you such satisfactory report for the working of the year 1908. With a loss ratio of 52.49% of the pre mium income, as compared with 50.04% for

The Acting Secretary read the notice con-

sum as follows !--Dividend of \$6.00 and a bonus of Add to extra reserve fund 111,679.92 Bonus to office staff......

\$276,249.75. We propose to deal with this

1907, the balance of profit amounts

and this I trust will most with your approval field of our operations to the 'Aigentine and South Africa where, working on conservative line, we hope to be successful. We must not, however, overlook the fact that with the expansion of business, our liabilities increase in proportion, and your directors cannot impress upon you too strongly the advisability of taking advantage of the opportunity afforded in good times, to further strengthen the financial position of the company by continuing to build up this extra reserve fund/ Turning now to the accounts, premium and interest accounts shew gains of \$39,999.10 and \$1,887.57 respactively, whilst charges s/c is \$2,185.25 less than the previous year. "The balance at credit of working account 's gog is \$438,406.91' which is a very satisfactory increase. Our investments in shares appreciated considerably and this accounts for the addition of \$18,768.78 to the idvestment fluctuation account. The company's surveyors have reported on our ad varices buder mortgage loans and I'am happy to assure you that except in two cases which are now being dealt with; same are satisfactory. Fires during the past year proved rather numerous in India and New Zealand. but I am glad to say in no instance were directors' report and statement of accounts for the year gos, as presented, he adopted. After this has bean seconded, I shall be pleased answer any questions that may be put relating to the business before the meeting. .There being no questions,

The Chairman moved the adoption of th eport and accounts. .Mr. Tutner seconded.

.The motion was agreed to unanimously. Mr. da Silva moved the confirmation of the appointment as directors of Mesers, J. Bhndow, G. Balloch and F. Lieb, (Mr. Machado seconded.

Catried. Messes, R. Shawan and H. A. Siebs were Mr. Slade. re-elected directors on the motion of Mr. Taylor. seconded by Mr. da Silval Mr. Machado moved the re-election

Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and A. R. Lowe as 'AUGITORS. Mr. Croickshapk seconded.

Carried mem com. The Chairman :- That is all the business,

gentlemen. I am much obliged for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be posted to-day. The meeting then ended.

CHINA-BORNEO CO., LIMITED. ANNUAL REPORT.

The report for presentation to shareholders the seventh ordinary yearly meeting to ald at the office of the company at noon on Tuesday, seth instant, reads :--Gehtlemen,-The general manager and con-

sulting committee beg to present to the sharebolders the seventh ordinary yearly report of the company, The accounts show a profit of - \$50,533.

From this has to be deducted :-Fees to consulting committee ... 4,000,00 Leaving available for appropriation \$46,533.3 the consulting committee recommend that a dividend of 5 per

cent on the subscribed capital be paid to shareholders ... \$27,600.00 Write of Sandakan saw-mills..... \$,000,00 lannches and lighters 7,500,00 engineering, works 5,000.00 plant ieri gerrerer gereinenen ininen

In accordance with the articles of avenciaion / the Hon! E. Osborne retires from the consulting committee, but offers himself for

Anditor :-- The accounts under review have been andited by Mr. W. H. Potts who offers himself for re-election. W. G. DARBY.

General Manager. Hongkong, 5th March, 1910,

A MAN-BATING CROCODILE.

EUGR SAURIAN PULLS A MAN OUT OF A BOAT.

guietly paddling along in his boat when sadden authorised you to make that statement in under rules of the A. A. (post entries). fit of the Canton Fong Pin Hospital, held in ly a huge crocodile rose out of the water, caught Count? Witness-Those are my instructions,

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Samrock; balow Ban' His, a day or two ago; lequally injurious. the Western suburb in a large matshed, con bim by the fright arm, and pulled him down As luck would have it, a police patrol boat from . Sir Henry... But the Colonial Secretary has the station at Pak Klong Hua Tekhay was come not said that if you give the name of the father. ing along just behind the boat containing the 'it would be folutious to the public service. victim of the affair and the constables in it; who My Lord, I am morely asking the witness to a manite over 40 years. saw the whole thing, paddled swiftly up, besting, refresh his memory from the document before the water and shouting. This had the desired him. effect and the takbay released his victim who, . His Lordship-it is part of the contents of on coming to the surface, was pulled into the | the document, If the Colonial Secretary himbost, It was found that the bones of his arm sell objects to the production of the docuhad been broken while the fieth had been ter ment and holds an opinion that the officials for the alleged unsatisfactory manner in [12] commercial circles at Amsterdam) style the riply lacerated by the santlan's language. He was production would be follows, I don't which they dealt with the disaffected troops after' Batavia Nieuwsblad, warning words have been brought to Banglook and sent to bospital for think any Colonial Court could enforce the the recent elots in Canton. In the circuler, it is al. | addressed to rubber-investors, Their attention; treatment. There are large numbers of crois production; so stated that the Viceroy should be requested to has been pointedly drawn to the fact that in communicate with the British Consultant the long sun, Heven planters will, do lose well recorded instance in which they have been the limit. French Consul at Canton regarding the lesue than those who have stuck to Rumbon! (Ficus | kedwa to attack human beings). As the place of licencia, to Chioase boats mooring at the elastica). It appears that the Heven after a leof easy access find Bangkok itself sports that the Heven after a leof easy access find Bangkok itself sports that the Heven after a leof and what the answers will then Club, Shameen Oreak in order to have the jurisdic. Sew years growth, is liable to robi-canket, who are trad of tramples day paddy selds in be, I don't know the contents of the document. Entrance fee, Stop for events 3, 4, 7, 14 and

Toe Administration Action.

MRE CLEMENTI CALLED.

BREEZE, BETWEEN JUDGE AND COUNSEL.

Before Hon. Mr. W. Rees-Davies, R.C., Act. ny Chief Tustice, at the Supreme Court o Friday the case in which Li Ctok Hung is Buildy Li Shek Pang for an account of the estate of his late father Li Ka Shing venched a some what sensational stage, when Sir Henry Berke ley, K.C., applied for leave to make use of certain document, to wit, the letters of naturalisation of the defendant, dated 1903, on the ground" that" in that year, the defendant made a cortain statement to Mar Clemen the who was then Acting Registrar-General regarding his patition for his naturalisation. a British subject, in which he stated, inter alithat he came to Hoogkong when five years old te study English and lived in the Sul Shipp ship Charteris in which his father Li Ka Shing was a partner, whereas in his statement of defence; he denied having stated that his father was ever a partner in the Spi Shipg ship, and swore that his lather had no interest in the ship whatever. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., Dr. He Kai, M.B. C.M.G. and Mr. Eldon Potter, ins tructed by Mr. P. W. Goldring, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C. and Mr. C. G. Alabaster instructed b Mr. A. C. Holborrow, represented the defend

Sir He ry Berkeley stated that he wished to call Mr. Clementi to give evidence as to statement made to him by the defendant on an. application by the defendant to be naturalised has a British subject, which would support the allegations in the statement of claim and negative the contrary allegations in the statement of delepce. It was claimed by the Colonial Secretary that the statements, whatever they were made on the occasion referred to were made confidence and therefore could not be divulged but those statements need not be disclosed by

the witness. view upon the question but Sir Henry said tha the question was one of privilege, and was purely a matter for the witness. Mr. Slade-If my friend does not put the

matter clearly, I have a right to object. The Chief Justice-The Colonial Secretary has communicated with the Registrar of the Court and has advised him to object to the

Continuing. Sir Henry stated that he had received the communication from the Colonial Secretary and his Lordship had also received a communication to a like effect. The statement was made by a private person, particular emphasis on the words person." The statement was made by a private person to a public official affecting the private person only. The Rule only applied to communications of a public pature or to communications of a semi-public nature and affected the public service, but in order to sustain the plea of privilege, it must be shown to the Court that seriously involved. I will now move that the the disclosure of the statement desired to be given in the evidence would be injusious to the public service. If the Court saw that that was not the case, then it would regard the objection as futile and order the production of the evidence desired. Counsel cited authorities support of his contention and submitted that his sole object was to ask witness what statements had been made to him by the defendant.

> say that the evidence would be injurious to the public interest and quoted a case to prove that his contention was correct. Mr. Slade-The case had nothing to do with public policy. His Lordship-1 am sorry 1 can't hear you

He submitted that it would be impossible to

Mr. Slade (excitedly)-I beg your pardon. Your Lordship can hear even a crossing awasper if you wish to. His Lordship-I am afraid I can't hear

Counsel in this particular case. Mr. Slade-If your Lordship won't allow me to point out to you matters which my friend doesn't point out to you, then it's a different

matter. His Lordship-You know. Sir Henry, as well as I do, or perhaps even better, from your long experience, that the rights of Government departments have always been protected. know of many cases where the Colonial Secretary refused to produce certain papers and the 'Court declined to lay down a precedent bind-

ing the official to produce the document. to ask questions strictly in connection with this case. The moment witness feels that he should not answer any question, he is at perfect liberty to refuse. If I happen to ask any such question of the witness inadvertently, am sure your Lordship will call me to order. His Lordship-What ground do you propose to say that the Colonial Secretary has no reason in saying that the production of the document is opposed to public interest, that there

Sir Henry-From the copy I am in possession of, I don't think it can possibly be opposed to public interest.

His Lordship-1 think, Sir Henry, you better call Mr. Cismooti and I shall tell him hisnosition whenever necessary, Sir Henry-Yes, my Lord, that will suit me,

The Attorney-General-I think it is only right for me to say that the document has not hean obtained officially.

Mr. Clementi was called into the witnessthat in 1903 he was the Assistant Registrar-General; it was part of his dities to make out day, 18th inst. first race to start at z.p.m., sharp, paturalisation papers. He remembered one Li Shek Pang applying in that year to be naturalised as a British subject. On that occasion. the man made a statement. He could not remember the name of the applicant's father.

Sir Henry-Did you make a note of it? Mr. Clementi-Yes, but I am instructed by the Colonial Secretary to tell the Court that the statement was made in confidence and I am also instructed by the Head of my department I to say that the production of the document would be injurious to the public service and An extraordinary affair occurred on Klong that the disclosures in the document would be (Open to sallors, soldiers and police).

tion exercisable over the Chinese boats to the which countervalle all the advantages which are not may be glad to but I think there's something in it. Shameen Creek reverted to Chinese officials, from quicker growth and large plots. Sir Henry-I would enggest that your Lord or Spoo for all events for events of

ship ask your brother Mr. Justice Competts to see the document and say whather there is anything injurious in it.

His Lordship-That would be outting the privilege vested in the official? Sir Henry-No, my Lord. In that case a Government official says that the production of a document is, injurious, there would be at

end of it. His Lordship-You want me to lay down precedent to produce a document when the Colonial Secretary has already given expression to a full souse of his responsibility?

Sir Henry-No, I don't, my Lord. Don't me ask you the question which I intend to as Proceeding, Sir Henry asked his Lordship whether it would be expedient to call, the Colonial Secretary.

His Lordship-You can call Sir Henry Maif you like, but I would suggest that you have the questions which you intend to ask arranged in tabulated form and then the Colonial Secretary will give permission to the witness to answer the questions pot objected to ... I may say, however, that to that case it will be exfremely difficult for me to direct what quostions ought not to be answered. Sir Henry-Yes, my Lord.

His Lordship-Shall we adjourn till quarter past two or to-morrow morning? Mr. Potter-The witness is still under cross-

examination. Mr. Slade at this point stated that he had refrained from making any further remarks accordance with his Lordship's ruling but the privilege having been taken by the official, he stated his position to the Court.

The Colonial Secretary declined to produce the document and the case was adjourned.

TRAM PIONBER.

SIR CLIFTON ROBINSON'S ARRIVA IN HONGKONG!

Sir Clifton Robinson, the well-known organisar of electric tramways in London, who quite recently retired from the management of London United Electric Tramways in order to take,up railway work abroad, arrived in Hone. Mr. Slade at this point was about to state his kong last night by the German mail Kleist. Sir Clifton's headquarters, however, remain in London, and he is reserving his position on the District Railway and other London con-

cerns with which he is connected. ". "My work is finished in London," he explained in an interview. "I have built up a system there (the London United Tramways) from eight miles of horse: lines to 55 of electric. The traffic on the old Metropolitan Tramways when 'I first saw was handled in a pre-Adamite manner whi would be a reproach to a little city in the wilds of Texas; . We installed electricity. "I was t first to introduce electric traction; on tramways into London, From eight million passengers on the old West Metropolitan trams the number now carried has increased to 60 millions.

A TABE OF YEARS. "The new system was built up by incessant labour during 16 years. If there had been'no | and our own expenses. imit to the development. I should have considered whether it should not remain till my ition, said that labour was the one and only task was done. But my task is done, so far as London is concerned; and as even disintegra. I learned that the manager of a European tion is possible, through the aggression of the lestate had been informed that the Dutch L.C.C. who are now seaking to absorb the Covernment was going to stop the exportation cream of the London United system, it is time of coolies. There had been applications for for me to consider whether it would not be I 5,000 to one month for the F.M.S. It was batter to withdraw from the routine of tramway I pretty certain that for some years Java would management and devote the rest of my life to be a blank field. He beard that the interior of larger schemes of promotion, construction, and | Sumatra was to be opened up. - If they did slot. organisation.

WORK ABROAD!

"I shall devote my work to other and wider spheres of influence. I have had many invitations from abroad, from countries where larger developments are possible. There is not much possibility in England to-day. Private enterprise has been spuffed out. Abroad there is more opportunity and greater remuneration Lishall therefore have wider opportunities, less responsibilities, and, I trust, a more remunera-

"One of my first missions is from Messrs. Speyer Brothers. This will take me to the Philippines. But I hope to be back again in England in the latter part of May. Last month, I may add, completed my jubiles in framway

"BLACKMAIL."

Sir Clifton expressed some indignation at what he described as the blackmail-not personal blackmail, of course—to which his company had been subjected at the hands of the authorities. "We have," he declared, "had to Sir Henry-Yes, my Lord, but I merely wish pay wir million sterling for street widenings: The whole of the money was nonecessary, cause, I say, in the case of a street that is wide spough for a tram to run through, if it wants

The money we have paid for street widenings has been exacted from us by the authorof the tramways through their district. a plate fixed to the buss enabling them to have. something in the communication which makes at free commission—travelling everywhere, bit scraggy. paying nothing for the roads, subjected to po restraint on their working and no control as to fares and times."

> LUSITANO RECREATION CLUB ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Lusitano Recreation Club's athletic sports this year will be under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard. The sports will be held at the race box and, cross-examined by Sir Henry, stated course (by kind permission of the stewards; of the Hongkong, Jockey, Club) on (Raster Monas there is nothing to choose between. The list of events is as follows !-

1:-120 yards flat race. (bandicap) o boys from to to 15 years of age. 3.-Bicycle race, 1 mile (handicap), 4 -- 100 yards flat race, (Challenge Oup), to

5.-Girls' Race, 100 yards, (handicap). Post entries. Open to girls under 'to years of age. 6:- Three-legged race; 100 yards. 7:-Bicycle race a miles (handicap), 8,-Half-a-mile flat race. Post entries.

1 be won a years in succession.

9.-- 220 yards, flat race (championship), reports the Bengkek Dally Mail: A man was His Lordship-The Colonial Secretary has Open to all bond fide amateurs in the Colony, 1 10:-Boys'race; 120'yards; (trandicap); Post

estries, " Open to boys under rotyears. 11.-440 yards flat race, (bandicap), 12-Sack race, 50 yards. 13.-120 yard flat race, (handicap). Open to The Band of the 13th Rajoute will be is attend-

14.-Ladies nomination. 25 .- Half-a-mile flat race/ (handicap). 10. Team race, 250 yards. 17 -- 150 yards flat race, Heavy weight over 170 lbs. (Handicap.) Post entries.

18.—Hurdie Race, 120 yards (handicap). so. Consolation race. Rventa 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 21, 12, 13, 14, 15, 26, 17, 118 open to all gentlemen amateurs who are

ZAE LABOUR QUESTION. EMPLOYMENT OF CHINESE COOLIES ON ESTATES.

At a meeting of the Planters' Association of Malaya, held at Kuala Lumpur, on Sunday, Mr. E. Macladyen proposed the following resolution:-That a committee be formed to consider the feasibility of establishing in Southern Chica a bureau for the recruiting of Chinese coolies for employment by estates.

According to the Malay Mail he said that it was necessary to think now of an alternative if Tamil labour proved inadequater The Chinese were not ideal coolies, but nelther was the Tamil. The latter was of poor physique, and lived under unbackby- conditions, He would not be induced to stay in the country the average stay being about two years. the average were three years, there would be a 50 per cent, increase in the estate population. REQUIREMENTS.

According to the figures of the latest official reports, . continued the speaker, there were 78,000 coolies employed on estates in the Colony, F. M. S. and Ichore at the end of 1908, Allowing for sugar, taplocol cocosute, etouthe coolies employed in subber cultivation cannot be put much shove or below 70,000. At that date, a very small percentage of the 241,000 acres then under rubber was being tapped, and the resulting proportion is only one coolis to three and a half acres. The area now under cultivation may be estimated at 300,000 acres of rubber, all of which in five years' time may be tappable, and if tapped will require; for tapping and general estate purposes, not less than one coolin to two acres. But in five years time, if extension goes on at a considerably slower rate than during the last three years, the total area under rubber will still have been doubled. If these extra 241,000 acres of new cleanings can be worked with one coolie to three and a half acres, if the old cultivations do not in the aggregate expand by a single acre, and if the development of the new-northern states makes no drain whatever upon-our existing resources, our agricultural population, to be indequate for the needs of rors, will have to amount to 228,000. This, is more likely to Prove an under-estimate than an over-estimate.

THE PRESENT POLICY, It is claimed for the present immigration policy that it has put Tamil recruiting on a satisfactory footing, but the present .. rate of Tamil immigration will have to be doubled if these requirements, very moderately estimated, are to be made good, from that source. In what other direction are we to look for a new supply at least, as productive as our existing one? .. I can see no other source but China. Wa know we can get them. If there is no organisation, it would be very unsatisfactory. We should be crimping the towkeys' coolies. It would be an expensive matter, more expensive then if we make arrangements before the demand arises. We should further be independent of the Immigration Committee, and pay our own men

Mr. E. B. Prior, in seconding the resoluquestion. When in Sumatra recently, he do something soon, they would be left belind: The chairman said that it was absolutely necessary to take some steps. The Chineses. where ... they were employed on estates, had been found very satisfactory, though certainly

they were expensive. The resolution was carried, and a committee was appointed as follows :-- The chairman, the escretary and Mr. N. S. Mansergh, with power to co-opt two others.

ROWING NOIES

HONGKONG REGATTAT

rath inst. The Hongkong Regatts takes place tomorrow commencing at 12 o'clock the course being from the C.Y.C. to Fenwick's Pler. There are five events open for sliding sent boats-1 The Hongkong Challenge Qup. 2: The Nathan Cup. 3 The Junior fours, 4 The. Senior pairs, 5 The Junior Pairs,

(1) THE HONGKONG CHALLENGE CUP. For this, two craws have entered, the V.R.C. & C.Y.C. fours. Musso strokes the former and Pollock the latter craw. The V.R.C. have, been doing by far the greater work and row well together with a beautiful swing. Alver at widening it is the duty of the authority to widen | bow has been changed to two, Galucia going bows this is no doubt an improvement.

The C.Y.C. have not done enough training ities as the price of their assent to the laying but have been doing a great deal of work The lidtely. Pollock striving hard to bring his crew up motor-buses pay two guiness a year, and get to perfection. There is a great deal of life and on in the boat although the rowing is at times a

Taken as a whole I believe that the C.Y.C. will win.

2. Forthe Nathan Challenge Cup five crews; have entered, Lane Crawfords, who have since scratched, the Civil Service, the Volunteers, the Kent and the Bedford. I don't know anything about the naval craws. but they are supposed to be doing wall and will

no doubt give the Volunteers, who are fancied. a good race. 3. For the Junior fours the V.R.C. have antered two craws one stroked by Carroll and the other by Barros. Both craws have been training: hard and are quite keen on winning, w/This nou. I doubt will a bet the best race of the day.

the two craws. "Carroll as stroke is inclined to 2. Boys' race, 220 yards (hand|cap). Open frow too hard and may kill himself before the 4. Two crews have entered for the Benior Pairs V.R.O. consisting of Musso and Bell and the R.H.KY,O, consisting of Pollock and Mar-

tin. As the pair oared boats want a great deal of manipulation and practice, I, think . Museo will win this as he has been out much more than Policek, whose crew is a recent creation. ist For the junior faire 'Carroll' and Barros' have enteredicrows; the first named is the bester

balanced and will win easily, the and the self RAPELE! DARREE

THE PROGRAMME The Hongkong" Regatts will be held tomorrow at noon at Fenwick's Reclamation; North Points. Some good racing is anticipated. ance during the afternoon, Miss. Lyon, has. kindly consented to present the prises, at the conclusion of the Meeting. We

give below the programme I.-Noon. Junior Pairs. 2-12:30 p.m. Men O'Wer Girs and Whal-

S.-I p.m. Senior Pairs. 4.- 2 p.m. Nathan Challenge Cup. 5 -- 2.30 p.m. The Brown Challenge Cue. 6.-- 2.45 p.m. Officers' Gigwand Whalers. 7 .-- 3.15 p.m. The Hongkong Chailengs Oup. 8.-- 3.10 p.m/-- Men O'War Cutters

9-4 p.m.-Griffin Foors 10,-4.50 p.m.-Junior Paire,
Motor boat and sailing races will also, take place deries the afternoon

SPECULATION. RUBBER

Boom Examined

Dividend on Shares at Recent Prices.

In the following tables and notes the object is to place before those who are interested subber proportion some fairly representative groups of shares under what we call old and new formations, the latter being companies formed during the rubber boom period. There is no protence of making the lists complete, but they are typical and the averages derived from them will apply, with a fair degree of accuracy, to the whole of the rubber companies in Malaya.

When examining the prospects of a particular company closely readers will have to take note of the average age of subber given lower down the column, and of the amount of uncalled capital. In the case of the new formations a procis of the information given in the prospectuses will be found in the ". Notes on New Formations."

Some of the prices to which shares have risen appear to be extravagant, and so they are, possibly, if viewed as long investments. But its examining the figures we have been not a little impressed by what we may call the reasoned expansion of values. They may be illustrated by taking the first, the last, and the middle company in the "old formations" list. In each case the market has raised the price to over £500 per planted acre, viz. Auglo-Malay £535, Valambrosa £512, Kuala Lumpur £523.. Now, we know the actual output of rubber by each of these companies in January, and have every reason to suppose that it will increase month by month during the present year. " Auglo-Malay actual output in January was 49,306 lbs, and we take it at a monthly average of 55,000 lbs. for the whole year; Kuala Lumpur actual output in January was 45,135 lbs, and we take it at average of 50,000 lbs.; Valambrosa actual output in January was '36,000 lbs. and we take it at average of 40,000 lbs. We assume that the net profit will be 4/ per lb. on the year's output of each of

| se companies and | n this basis we v | fork out the resu | ilts as follows ; | ما ا | 1 1 1 mm |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Total Output | Total profit | Dividend on | · Xiela on | _ |
| رن _{ا ب} سد اف | moin lbi. | at 4/- per ib. | Actual Capital. | at Market | |
| Anglo-Malay | 660,000 | 132,000 | 88 per cent | 711 | per cent. |
| Kuala Lumpur | 600,000 | 120,000 | , 661 ,, | 91 | HI , h w |
| Velembrose | 480.000 | 96,000 | 192 | 7.2 | 10 |

The enormous percentage Valambrosa should be able to pay is explained by the very large, proportion of its planted area actually at the productive stage. The average age of its subber is 6.57 against the 4.37 of Anglo-Malay, and the 3.47 of Kuala Lumpur. On the other hand, of

| irso, it has a smaller rese | itvo as we see by the toll | owing:— | |
|--|----------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| , i | Anglo Malay, | Kusla Lumpur. | Valambrosa, |
| Total acres planted Acres producing | 3,364 1,099 | 1,100 | 1,729 1,054 |
| | - Ann | 0.087 | 67K |

No doubt some of the companies have increased their planted area since the statistics we have used were, made up, but very young rubber does not greatly change the valuation of an Comparethe market price of such a "new formation" as Merlimau with that of any of the old companies which are producing subber.

The tables and notes, we hope, will prove useful to investors even if they merely serve to show the varied factors that should enter into an estimate of valuation.

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| Company. | Under 1 | Over 4 | " Envilor: | Capital | het wate . | Company | Value of | | * |
| | Rubber | years old. | Planting. | Istuedi | Planted. | Formed. | Share. | Feb. 18 10. | A |
| Angio-Malay | 3364 | 1665 | 1899 | £150,000 | £44,120 | 1905 | | £. 11. 4.9 £ | |
| Batu Caves | 1231 | 418 | 1902 | 20,187 | 16, 8.0 | 1904 | Aļ . | 8, 2,5 | 131. 4.,0 |
| Bertam | 2405 | 298 | 1900 | 175,000 | 72.15.0 | ୍ମ 1906 🖟 | | 3.11.0 | 254.12. '0 |
| Bukit Rajah | 2340 | 1506 | 1893 . | 70,000 | 30, 0,0 | 1903 | I | 11.10.0 | 345, 0, 0 |
| Cicaly | 829 | | 1899 | 16,000 | 19. 6.0 | 1904 | *1 | į t.18.o | 361.14. 0 |
| Con. Malay | 1010 | ,652 | 1899 | 62,000 | 38110.0 | 1925 | 1.0 | 10. 0.0 | 384. 0. 0 |
| Damantara | 1769 | 1117 | 1900 | 102,000 | 57.13.0 | 1906 | | 6. 0,0 | 345.18. 0 |
| F. Selanger | 1024 | 512 | 1902 | 35,000 | 34. 3.6 | 1905 | · .I | 9, 5,0 | 350. 5.10 |
| Hilds & Lilds | | 1943 | 1899 | 305,000 | A | 1905 | , 18 ° | 5, 5.0 | 353. 9. 1 |
| 1. Kenneth | 4530 1007 | 487 | 1901 | 30,000 | 4 Tares | 1904 | 1.2 | 8.17.0 | 248. I. 7 |
| | | 1106 | 1001 | 180,000 | 72, 4.0 | 1906 | 1 | 4, 5.0. | 523. 9. 0 |
| K. Lumpur | 2493 | TEES | 1899 | 250,000 | | 1907 | 1 . | 5.10.0 | 300.14. 3 |
| Lanadron | 4572 | | 1899 | 75,000 | 52.15.6 | 1908 | 1 | 3, 5.0 | 171.10. 4 |
| Ledbury | 1431 | 493 1060 | 1899 | 98,324 | * 23. 9.1 | 1895 | 2/- | 1.19.0 | 452. 7. I |
| Linggi | 4191 | | 1899 | 22,500 | 14.13.8 | 1903 | 2/- | 2, I.O | 301. 0, 2 |
| Pataling | 1519 | 889 | 1899 | | 118, 4.3 | 1906 | 7 | . 5. 0.0 | '591. I. 3 |
| Perak | 719 | 434 | | 30,000 | 19, 8,8 | 1898 | 2/- | 2. 5.0 | 432. 9. 0 |
| Selengor | 1595 | ., 1218 | 1899 | | 55, 0,0 | 1900 | | 5,15.0 | 316. 5. 0 |
| S. Kapar | 1818 | 918 | 1902 | 100,000 | - - | 1904 | 1 7 | 4.17.0 | 228, 1, 2 |
| Sungel Way | 1074 | 566 | 1903 | 50,000 | 47. 4.2 | | 2/ | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 512, 1,10 |
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| Sungel Way | 1074 | 566 - | 1903 | 50,000 | 47. 4.2 | 1904 | 4.17.0 | 225, 1, 2 |
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| Valambrosa | 1729 | 1054 | 1899 | 50,600 | 29. 5.3 | 1904 2/- | 1,15,0 | 512, 1,10 |
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| | | | , 'NE | W, FORMA | TIONS. ' | | ·, | * |
| B. Malaka . | 634 | , none | 1907 | | £781.7.3 | Nov '09 2/- | 3/- | 118,5110 |
| Bujong | 485 | none | 1907 | | 83, 9,6 | Dac 'oo £1 | 1 | .0 |
| Chaugkat | 719 | 100 | 1899 . | 87,500 | 130' 0'0 |]an 10 / 1, 3.4 | 1.15.0 | 180,0, 0 |
| Cheviot | 605 | pone | 1906 ~ | 90,000 | 181, 16.4 | Jan to £t | 1 | |
| Ohota | 400 | 77 | 1900 | 50,000' | 125. 0.0 | Dec. 09 2/- | ` ~ | 400 40 4 |
| Riphinstone | 245 | 1 15 | "'vague' | ···· 35,000- | | Sep '09 2/4; | ·7/0·· | 428.110. |
| Gedong | 300 | gópa | 1906 | 60,000 | 200, 0.0 | | | 1 pt |
| Glenealy | 330 | . 42 | 1899 | 35,000 | 106, 0.0 | | 4/1 | 185, 1, 2 |
| Henrietta . | .000 | 8008 | 1907 | 70,000 | | 1 | – | 128, 6, 8 |
| Kuala Pahi | 200/ | 2000 | 1908 | 91,000 | 300. 0.0 | Jan '10 2/- | | |
| Lendu | 473 | 2026 | 1900 | 60,000 | 126,17.0 | 4 7 7 4 | 1 | , |
| Merlimau | 5000 | 'none | 1907 | 210,000 | 37.13.6 | Sep '09 2/- | 4/9 | ∴,8g, g , 6 |
| Pegob | 1900 | 70 | 1903 | 58,333 | 30,14 0 | Juy '09 1.3 | 3.4 4. 1.8° | 107, 9. 0 |
| S. Babro | -1056 | 125 . | 1905 | 75,000 | 71. 0.0 | Dec '09 &1 | , | • |
| U. Singapore | | 40 | 1903 | 110,666 | 65.11.7 | Sep '09 2/ | 4 3/6 | ,98, 7. 4 |
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The average actual capitalisations per planted acro and the capitalisations based upon market price per planted acre are as follows, the companies for which we have no quotations

| ng taken at par; | 41 | Actual Capital. Per planted acre. | Market Price Per planted acre. | increase Per plauted acre |
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| Companies formed bafore 1906 | 1 | £ 29 12.2 | 350. 0.0 | £320. 7.10 |
| Companies formed in 1906-7-8 | | 63. 6.8 | 365. 5.4 | 301.18. 8 |
| Companies formed in 1909-10 | | 119 12.2 | 161.10.6 | 141.18. 4 |

AVERAGE AGE OF RUBBER UNDER OLD FORMATIONS. statement of the average age of the rubber trees in 1909 on the 'old formations may h

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| * 7 | Years | | Years | Page 1997 | Years | | Years |
| B | atu Cavos 3.78 ertam 2.61 ukit Rajah 4.95 | Kuala Lumpur Lanadron Ledburg Linggi Pataling | 3.57 3.74 6.60 | Consol, Malay Damansara Fed. Selangor H'land & Low Inch Kenneth | 3.92 .41 | Perak Selangor Sungei Kapar Sungei Way Valambrosa | 4.73 6.33 3.80 3.62 6.57 |

Some of the companies in the "old formations" have not called up all their capital. 'Only the called up is dealt with in the above table, the authorised being as follows:-Batu Caves £30,000; Consolidated Malay £75,000; Damausara £110,000; Highlands and Lowlands Z320,000; Inch.Kenneth £50,000; Lanadron £320,000; Ledbury £125,000; Linggi £100,000 Pataling £30,000; Sungai Kapar £110,000; Valambrosa £60,000,

Full capital authorised is taken in calculations of the new companies, as practically every penny will be required for development purposes.

NOTES ON NEW FORMATIONS. Batang | Malak has 75 acres 22 years old. . 70 acres 2 years, 237 acres 12 and balance I year and under.

years old. The remainder is under the Changkat has 6,000 trees over ten years old and 2,000 more trees, which are expected

to bear this year, the remainder of the planted area ranging from 3 years to 0 planted is 90,000. Chevlot has 74 acres, which were planted in

remainder dating from middle of 1908. Chota has 4 acres of trees 6 to 9 years old, 73 . acres 4 to 5 years old 80 acres 3 to 32 years old 230 acres 14 to 24 years old and 15

acres one year old. ing and partly subber. Its total capital is Loacoo and the prospectus did not show clearly how it was divided. We take 435,000 as a moderate estimate for the rubbor section. There is, it will be remembered, a dispute about title.

Gedong: The prospectus said that "the planted about 39,750 para trees were planted at the end: of 1906." Half the planted area is advice given about 2 years ago (the prospectus says) the estate was planted with Grotalaria, with result that a heavy crop. of woods and lelang was produced."

Glenonly has 42 acres of ten year old rubber, but the trees are thinly pleated - only \$1540 trees in all. There are 07 acres 10 months

-- old, 116 acres 16 months old and 75 acres 9 months old.

Bulong has 49 acres 3 years old, 63 acres 2 Henrietta had 167 acres planted in 1907, 272 acres in 1908 and 166 acres in 1909. Kuala Pahi: We need say little about this estate. Its subber averages about \$ months old, and the capitalisation may be described as proposterous to save using a

300,786 trees under I year.

mainder of the planted area is unden 2

11 years and 256 acres 1 year.

ing does not appear to have been done very regularly, but tapping has been going on for some time, and there appear to many very good trees.—Straits Times.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

TOMMY ATKING WOES

It's rather reassuring for the authorities to be told that an improvement has taken place in the condition of the British troops stationed at Shau-ki-wan and its environments as regards malaria. It will be semembered that some time ago, Colonel Bedford, the Principa Medical Officer of the Colony, referred to the Shau-ki-wan military station as the happy hunting-ground of our friend the anopheles and it was at the time feared that the malarial yerm would rapidly dissemminate among the troops as a result. It is therefore gratifying to learn of the improvement which has taken place in

this regard. OUR WATER SUPPLY.

The report of the Government Bacteriologist on the Albany service reservoir at the last meeting of the Sacitary Board is not exactly reassuring to nervous citizens. In his report, the bacteriologist touched upon the fact that the water had become contaminated and at the same time suggested that the rese,var in question as well as other reservoirs should be roofed It is apparent that nothing which could be done to ensure the good health of the Colony should be left undone. It has become a proverbial expression that a whole town can be poisoned by one solitary well and the authorities have hardly any desire to poison the population. It was not so very long ago that Colonel Bedford treated the Saultary Board to a few revelations with regard to possible dangers in this matter which dropped a bomb-shell among the higher sanitary officials. The latter tried to prevent the Golonel's sound arguments from being made public on the ground of a public scare, but failed. One is almost inclined to ask oneself whether the Colonel's fears were after all not justified.

A ZEALOUS VICEROY. Who said that Chinese officials were devoid of patriotism? The Canton Viceroy the other day would have moved the most rigid Spartan to tears by expressing a wish for a penalty to be inflicted on him for not being able to prevent the late disturbance. Such overflowing magnanimity is indeed sare and should produce a wholesome effect on less zealous officials whose systematic observance of " squeeze " about the sum-total of their patriotism.

THE SCOTCH FORM OF TAKING DATH. I was glad to notice that the simple style avoured by the Land O'Cakes in administering oaths is to be introduced in the Colony by Ordinance. Hitherto; each time a person, preforably of the hypochondriac variety, kissed the Bible in the local Courts, happy memories of the multitudinous types of lips, clean and otherwise, that sacred book had touched, flashed through his mind and he furiously imagined that simultaneously with that delicate operation, a battery of real, live microbes was rammed down his poor throat. But the death-knell of this svil of civilization is evidently to be shortly sounded and doctors' bills for imaginary ills will consequently be at a discount. WHAT'S IN A NAME? "

The other day I had the proud privilege of being shown a terrible-looking application of the Bengali Babu type for a clerical situation which, besides being couched in terms which would dely Mark Twain himself, leave alone the ordinary intellect, was a gem in its way. As I am not well versed in the art of deciphering Egyptian hieroglyphics, and as the expressions contained in the official-looking document practically amounted to that, I gave up my efforts in disgust. To crown all the appilcationilappeared above a signature which was uppronounceable, to say the least, 'Reminds me of the witty American who described the pature of the appellation of a certain successful Chinese medical student in Lundon by saying "Two tries and a specie." The student's namejwas Tsa Tsal Tshoul

THE UNIQUITOUS THIEF. Did you ever hear, gentle reader, of an over-

coat disappearing from the premises of a Court | the scope of the Treaty. of Justice?" Most probably not. Yet this was . The Crown Solicitor-We don't say that we the misfortune which befell a certain acquaint. know that the crime was committed in Shanghai. ance of mine at the Supreme Court yesterday. I If may have been committed in Austria. Mon ami left the article in the Court-room and | Sir Henry (To his Worship)-If I've unawe-inspiring atmosphere of a Court-room is the crime was committed in Shanghai. If the almost beyond belief. But some men do not particular case the man was cortainly gifted arrested. The intention of the high contract- favourable, they expect to ship a full supply of with a procious good amount of the quality.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CLOCK. I can only remember one instance of a somewhat similar incident and that was a number of years ago, the scene where the incident took place again being the Supreme Court. On that occasion, a certain individual, whose appearance and manners were certainly more in consonance with a lunatic asylum then a Court of Justice, calmly placed a ladder against the walwhile a case was proceeding and as calmly removed the old clock, which had ornamented the hall from time immemorial, in the presence of Judge, bar and a goodly number of onlookers. Of course, everybody thought that the man had come with the object of having the clock repaired, and not a soul, not even the stolid usher, dreamt of asking the intruder his business. That clock has up to this day no renewed its one-time acquaintance with mural companion. 'A cer.ain party who cer tainly ought to know assures me that the clock was not stolen for its intrinsic value but with the more important object of getting the better in a wager. Be won the wager with honours. and, what's more, fully deserved it.

CASUAL CRITIC

JAPANESE CEMENT COMPANY

WINDING UP RECOMMENDED.

The Toa Cement Company, which months old. The total number of trees Lendu has 58 acres 3 years old, 28 acres 24, formed with a capital of Y500,000, on the submit that the Austrian Consul has no years old, 42 acres 2 years old, 72 acres 14 initiative of Messrs. Kanematsu Fusajiro, Matto I year old and 272 under one year. . | sukata Kojiro, and Takigawa Benzo, of Kobe, 1906, and 442 acres planted in 1907, the Merliman: This is one of the largest estates, during the business boom of 1907, experienced but the subber is very young. The tree difficulty in obtaining sufficient working funds ages are given as follows-88,613 trees 21 in consequence of the depression which enyears old, 137,272 trees 2 years old, 46,727 | sued, and borrowed Y400,000 from Mr. Woo trees 11 years old, 284,329 trees I year old, Ching-don, a well-known Chinese merchant of Kobe. According to the Osaka Jiji, the com-Riphinstone; This compony is partly tin min- Pegoh stands well among the new companies. pany has lost on its working in every period, It has 50 acres 5 to 6 years old, 20 acres 4 and the ontlook is considered gloomy. The years old, 251 acres 31 years old, 328 acres | business of the company is practically sus-3 years old, 243 acres 21 years old. To ponded, only the cement in stock being sold, these figures a year may be added having | Some of the directors and shareholders recomafter some private conferences the board of It will be for your Worship to say whether it to Jone 30, 1909, a total of 3,638,389 kilos of doing. But as a simple matter of history let it regard to the date of formation. The re- | mend that the company be wound up, and directors has decided to hand over the concern portion consists of 500 acres on which Sungel Bahru has 195 acres over 4 years, 100 to Mr. Woo Ching-don, who is the principal prisoner for a few days. acres 4 years, 174 acres 2 years, 401 acres | shareholder and creditor, and negotiations are progressing between him and the board of clean. "Following government expert United Singapore; This is a property entirely directors. The conditions of the transfer are under Chinese management. . The plant- | that Mr. Woo Ching-don take the coment in stock at a valuation of Y100,000, which sum | The mere fact that the Consular Court is there will be allotted to the shareholders as dividend. The Osaka journal adds that it is doubtful whether Mr. Woo will accept these conditions. Minister. -- Josen Caronicle.

A QUESTION OF EXTRADITION.

AUSTRIAN SUBJECT DISCHARGED.

Before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police Magistrate, in the Police Court this morning. Walter Oswald Moeblus again appeared at the Instance of Mr. Welsor, the Austro-Hungarian Consulat Hongkong, who applied for prisoners extradition for alleged perjury said to have been committed in the Austro-Hungarian Consular Court at Shanghal. The Orown Solicitor prosecuted and Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. M. Reader Harris, of Messra. Wilkinson and grist, appeared for the defendant.

The Crown Solicitor stated that the application was made by the representative in Hongkong of Austria-Hungary. At present his application appeared to him to have been made on slight grounds but it might be when details arrived from the representative at Shanghal, a different complexion might be put upon the matter. He was simply there to watch the case on behalf of the Crown and he was not prepared to say whether there was a good case or not.

Mr. Weiser-The official papers have not yet arrived from Shanghai... The Cursul at Shanghal has written to me on the matter and the papers may arrive on Monday or Tuesday. l ask for an adjournment.

His Worship-That means that you have no other information besides what you have al

terdy given? Mr. Weiser-I have given you all the information, I have. This is not a question between the Austro-Hungarian Consular Court at Shanghai and this Court but administration of the Settlement. The question is " Who is the Sovereign in Shanghal?4. China. not? She has no more power over the Consular Court at Shanghai than Turkey over Crete. His Worship-That's not the question. The point is whether this Court has power to make an order for defendant's extradition.

Mr. Weiser—You, can stop a : fugitive from Austria.

His Worship-You have no details as to where and when the crime was committed. Mr. Welser-I have no details whatever.

Sir Henry Barkeley applied that upon the statements made by the Crown and the Austro-Hungarian, Consul the defendant be discharged. He submitted it was quite clear, that the Court had no jurisdiction and that the warrant ought never to have been asked for. He asked that the prisoner be discharged forthwith, leaving those who accused him of an offence which came between the high contracting parties—the Sovereign of Great Britain and the Sovereign of Austria appear again if they could show that defendant had committed an offence against the Treaty. If his Worship would look at the warrant, he would find that the defendant was accused of committing parjury within the jurisdiction of the Austro-Hungarian Consular Court at Shanghai If his Worship looked at the Treaty, he would find that there was no angagement between Great Britain and Austria to deliver a subject of Austria as suggested a in defendant's case. The engagement was is Article t of the Treaty and was explicit its terms. Before his Worship could deal with the matter, he must be firmly convinced by the party who made the application that the person accused of the offence had in fact committed that offence within the jurisdiction of one of the countries concerned. It was absolutely exsential. They could only [give up the accused if it was found that he had committed an offence against the Treaty. Proceeding, Six Henry contended that the Sovereign of Great Britain had jurisdiction over certain savage islands, such as Polynesia and the Soloman Islands, because he had jurisdiction over his own subjects, faithough the country did not form part of his own territories. They could not, however, arrest a man who had fied to the New Hebrides. The Consular authorities at Shanghai hadno power to make the application, because the application, did not: come within.

ing parties was only to arrest persons who committed a crime in the territory of one sole object of the Extradition Act was to give | world: effect to Treaties which had already been made the Austro-Hungarian Consul. The Consul has sometimes Consular officials are empowered forestry, says in part t to apply for a provisional arrest and subsequent was Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. I which are of little value. charge the prisoner. Even supposing all proper one for which the Sovereign of Great Britain has engaged to surrender the prisoner over.

discharged.

tion is simply an application by the Austrian Consul to detain the prisoner in Police custody.

offence was committed within anything as Austrian territory-Mr. Weiser-I'll have to walt for particulars. I kilos.

shows there is inrisdiction.

Mr. Weiser-The building has jurisdiction. | turni products are handled."

Nobody has any business there. Even a Chipaman is arrested there, the Chinese Government will have to make an application

and then the Consul will deliver the prisoner. His Worship-You don't claim that the crime was committed in the Con-

ular building. Mr. Weiser-My information is not ample enough. I'm waiting for better particulars. Greece has no jurisdiction as regards extradition and every prisoner will'go to Greece and pover be arrested. I am not asking for prisoner's extradition. I simply want him remanded for two or three days.

His Worship held that he had no power even to remand the prisoner and ordered his dis-

OBSTRUCTING THE FAIRWAY. SHIPMASTER FINED.

Before Commander Basil Taylor, R.M., Marine Magistrate, this morning, E.D. Davey, Boarding officer of the Harbour Department, prosecuted Henry Gasson, master of the British steamship Pruth, and the pilot was was in charge of the ship, for unlawfully anchoring her in such manner as to obstruct the free access of other vestels to the Central Fairway at about noon on the ard inst, in the waters of the Colony. . In his evidence the Boarding Officer stated that about noon, on 3rd inst, he went down West boarding; he saw s.s. Pruth at anchor to the N. of rice anchorage obstructing the ap proach to the Central Fairway. He went on board. The master was not there; the Pilot was. He went to the Fairway buoy and saw the whole ship to North of the line from buoy

Green Island Flagstaff, swung stern to N.W. The Master of the Pruis stated that he had never been in the Colony before, and didn't know he was in a prohibited place. He shifted the ship as soon as he knew he was wrong. He considered the pilot as being in charge o

His Worship Imposed a fine of fifty cents of

the first defendant. Mr. Davey, recalled : The pilot-second defendant-when I 'asked him why he had anchored the ship where she was, replied that there being no room inside he had placed her

The pilot alleged that there was no room inside, so he put her where she was. . He knew he was not allowed to anchor a ship in the Fairway. . .

Defendant was found guilty, and a fine of \$50 was imposed, or one month.

OPIUM PROHIBITION IN CHINA UPRISING IN AMOY.

A disturbance has broken out in the neighbourhood of Amoy in connection with the opium prohibition. An official telegram dated the 22nd ultimo to the Japanese Foreign Office says :- The Chinese Government has been endeavouring to suppress the cultivation of the poppy with the object of putting a stop to opium-smoking. In the neighbourhood of Amoy the course taken by the Government has 'resulted in friction between the officials and people, culminating in the outbreak of a disturbance, in the prefect was injured. A force of 200 troops was sent from Changchow to suppress the rising but after 'sustaining thirty casualties in killed and wounded, they failed to restore order. The Viceroy of Fukien, and Chekiang has ordered two regiments of troops to go to the assistance of the Prefect from Fuchow, and has also ordered the Amoy General to send a reinforcement of 500 men from the garrison of mony. On the death of either of the Grand Changchow. The rebels have formed an association called the "Great Flag Society" and are endevouring to stir up the masses,--- /apan whether a male child endowed with extra-Chronicis.

RATIAN-MANUFACTURE INDUSTRY. THREATENED RIVALRY IN THE

PHILIPPINES.

A letter has recently been received by the other high Lama dignitaries, and the Chinese bureau of forestry which may foretall the Resident. If the Peking Government adheres then left the hall for a time but his deep chagrin derstood you rightly, Sir, you said the establishment of a new and important indust to its decision to force a new Dalai Lama on can be better imagined than described when question was whether you know that try for the Philippine Islands; or rather, the the Tibetans, it has probably embarked on a he made the painful discovery that it had dis- the crime was committed in Shanghal upon commercial application of an industry which controversy between church and state before appeared. One can understand one's appared the documents before you. It would be crued has existed in a small way from the very which its former troubles in Tibet will sink into mysteriously disappearing from one's own re- to detain the defendant in Police custody earliest times. This has to do with the insignificance. siderice, but for a theft to be committed in the in order to have time to find out whether i machine manufacture of sattain for furniture and various other commercial uses. The defendant committed the crime in Constan- letter comes from a group of business men in

lack impudence of the darkest dye and in this timpole and fied to Vienna he could not be Los Angeles, who state that, if conditions are cited at the time of the troubles of 1904, predicts modern machinery to Manile, and take up the thirteenth incumbent. Fate could provide rattan-manufacture on a large scale, exporting no easier, way out of her difficulties for China, and fled to the territory of the other. The the finished product to all parts of the civilized and it is to be supposed that every enlightened

At present, Singapore and Hongkong are to admit that the whole blame for this blow to or her safter might be made for the purpose of ex- the principal seats of ratten furniture manufac- Lamaism rests upon the Dalai Lama. tradition, otherwise international complications ture; but there is no reason whatever why himself. In the recital of his shortmight be caused. All your Worship has to do | Manila and other Philippine cities with their | comings, as set forth in the Imperial Edict, is to construe the documents and the warrant | labour conditions and supplies of raw material, | there, is little that can be termed exaggarabefore you and to say whether prisoner has should not obtain a considerable share of this tion. Proud, extravagant, licentious, violent, committed an offence which would justify your profitable industry. In fact, an agent of the refractory, fickle, crafty, deceitful—these Worship in remanding the prisoner, or deal- bureau of forestry recently sent to study the are harsh terms to apply to one in the link of ing with the case at all. I submit that no lumber markets, recommended that teachers re-incarnations destined to produce a true offence of the nature suggested has been in the industrial schools of the Philippines be Buddha in course of time. But those who have committed by the prisoner. There is no taught the art of rattan furniture making, so followed the history of this erratic pontiff since engagement by Great Britain for prisoner's ex- that they is turn could teach their pupils. That his mundane activities brought him into contradition. Further, you cannot remand the pri- the prospective investors will find here all that flict with the Indian Government will realize soner, because the application has been made by they need almost goes without saying, for how near the truth the indictment is. It proves, tattan of excellent quality is found in large however, considerable access of confidence to said that he had received telegams but that is of quantities in almost, all of the Philippine the Peking authorities in their dealings with no value at all. Applications for extradition are forests. In his reply to the letter from Cali- Tibet. A year ago the Dalai Lama's presence usually made through diplomatic channels but fornia, Major Abern, director of the bureau of in the capital was demanded not without mis-

surrender pending a formal application. All is known in the Far East as Bojuco, and it is allowed to leave Peking alive. To judge by we have is an application by the Austrian one of the principal minor forest products of subsequent events it has to be inferred that the Consul on information received by the Con- the Philippines. It consists of plants with Chinese Government is inclined to regret its solar anthorities at Shanghai. The application long climbing stems. They belong to the leniency of nearly two years ago. Whether has come before your Worship quite irregularly Palm family and may properly be called China is better able to dispose of this and should be dismissed on that very ground climbing palms. They grow in a great pro- "turbulent priest" at this juncture without alone. The Austrian Consul has no power to act fusion of kinds and quantities. In all wirgin letting loose the elements of insurrection in in a British Colony. He has no powers beyond forests of the Philippines. The hill and moun. Tibet is open to conjecture. In her efforts for what a British Consular official would have in tain regions produce the best grades, while the better administration of Tibet she will have Austrian territory, unless he could show that | those upon the flats are larger, coarser and not | support of the reception accorded by Buddhists he was acting under the instructions of the so tough. Several kinds are found, some of to the Dalai Lama in Indian territory indicates

jurisdiction which would justify him in detain- total supply of bejuco, it is certainly large in if the morganization of Tibet is carried out in log defendant. Naturally, the matter was the forested portion of the Islands, which com- a manner repellant to the religious scruples of rather obscure, but now that I have brought it prises more than one half of the total area of the adherents of Buddhism .- N. C. D. News, before your Worship's notice, you ought to dis- the Archipelago. In order to obtain some indication of the yield of bejuce, two plots, each SLAVES OF THE SHARE BOOM. formalities had been observed, the offence is not: 23 metres square, were cut and measured by the Bureau of Forestry, showing a yield at the rate of five thousand metres per acre of bejuce | prevails in London over the rubber share On those grounds, I ask that the prisoner be of commercial grade. These plots were taken boom, and of the way that stockbrokers are at random on an area where the supply was working day and night to clear up the masses The Crown Selicitor-Sir Henry's words no. good : and although they probably yielded of business they have to deal with. We are doubt will have great weight but the applica- rather more than the average supply, there are 'quiet, unostentations people out here, who large areas which are fully as well stocked. . . turn our Penny into a Sovereign without invit-

would be reasonable or not to detain the ratten were utilized from the Philippine forests. be known to all whom it may concern that the The average market price is \$5.00, gold, per Singapore sharebrokers are working day and His Worship-Unless you claim that the one hundred kilos. The forests charges paid night-have been doing it for weeks-and are to the Government amount to 1/10 of the likely to go on doing it for weeks more, unless market price or \$0.50, gold, per one hundred | wives rise in righ.cous indignation against

most a ready market and the call for them is quaintance with their sons. Truly these be Sir Henry-No, no. A Consul is no public especially strong in places where large quanti- etrenuous times, and the brokers will be multitles of hemp, sugar, tobacco and other agricule | millionaires, or themes for episaphs, if the

THE DALAI LAMA.

China is introducing into her present dealings. with Tibet a businesslike, dispatch that is strangely at variance with the usual practice of her diplomacy. Not only has the secret expedition to Lhasa reached its objective with commendable decision, but within a fortnight the Dalai Lama's second flight from the Potala he is solemnly deposed and excommunicated with a thoroughness that does credit to the intentions of the Chinese Government. The Decree which we publish to-day contains such a terrible indictment of the present incumbent of this sacred office that it threatens irrevocably to bring to a head the issue between China and Tibet. On a previous occasion the Dalai Lama has been divested of

HIS TEMPORAL POWER. which he had virtually forfaited by his flight from the country; but he is now deposed from his spiritual office and the fiat has gone forth that another re-incarnation of the Bodhisattva Ayalokiteshvara, another Gyalpo Ribpocha or Precious King must be found. When the former proclamation declaring the Dalai Lama daposed was posted up at all the street-comers n Lhasa, the mob tore it down and trampled in the dust, while the Tashi Lama also reused to acquiesce in the deposition; During the five years of the Dalai Lama's absence from Tibet he must have forfeited some of the unquestioning veneration and belief of his infallibility that his office evokes among the Tibetans; but it remains to be seen whether. they will brook active Chinese interference in ecclesiastical domain of Tibetan affairs. The behest of the Chinese Government that the last re-incarnation should be regarded as mistake to be cancelled at will, or that new re-incarnation should take place while the Dalai Lama still lives, would seem, in the light of past events, to be straining even the elasticity of the Tibetan and Lamaist conscience. Without the exercise of force-and we are now to believe that Chao Erh-feng's force adds only 2,000 men to the Chinese army of occupation-it might be that this Edict deposing the Dalai Lama would remain as much a dead letter as its predecessor. There is, however.

A NEW FACTOR in the situation. 'China has now shown her hand in an unmistakable manner and it may be doubted whether the Dalal Lama, who is probably congratulating himself on still finding his head on his shoulders, will care to trust his sacred person again to Chinese clemency." in such circumstances China must be pre-

pared to administer the affairs of Tibet with, poculiar tact and unmistakable firmness. Her task might be simplified, if there had been more rivalry between the Tashi Lama and the Dalai Lama: but it is a feature of the relative position of these two dignituries that the temporal superiority of the latter is more than balanced by the merit for enhanced holiness acquired by the Tashi-Lama through being less contaminated with temporal government and worldly, politics, If the Tashi-Luppo Grand Lama still refuses to acquiesce in the deposition of the Dalai-Lama, the Chinese Government must reckon on the passive or active resistance of the whole of Lamaism to her proposed scheme. Moreover, the consecuation of the young Dalai Lama can only be performed by the Tashi Lama. According to the Edict the Chinase Residents are commanded to thke steps to discover the new reincarnation of the Buddhisattva Avalokitashvara ; but, although the representative of the Peking Government has to be present at the drawing of lots which decides the selection, it is not usual for him to take a more active part in this strange corn-Lamas letters are sent to all parts of Tibet and to all the adjoining Lamaist countries to inquire ordinary spiritual gifts has appeared. From among the numerous replies, after a careful process of elimination; the Tashi Lama has to select three names, and these are inscribed on golden fish which are placed in an um of the same metal, presented by a former Emperor of

Ching. After a week of prayer the DRAWING FROM THE GOLDEN-URN takes place in the presence of the Tashi Lama.

The superstitious will like to recall that the Dalai Lama is the thirteenth holder of that office and that an ancient prophecy, already that succession to the title will terminate with Buddhist, cognizant of all the facts, would have givings on both sides, and it was even then a "Rattan, as it is called in the United States, matter of speculation whether he would be the awkward position in which Great Britain Although little is known definitely of the may be placed, in regard to her Indian subjects,

We hear of the tremendous excitement that During the fiscal year from July 1st, 1908, Ing. all the world to take note of what we are grasswidowbood, and fathers make lusty pro-Even the poorer grades sultable for ballog | test sgainst sinking into a mere bodding acboom goes on much longer, -- Strolle Times.

UNION WATERBOAT CO. LD. ANNUAL MEETING.

The fifth ordinary annual meeting of the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., was held at the company's | Saturday afternoon. The attendance was small, office this alternoon, Mr. G. H. Medhurst (chalrman of the consulting committee) presided. There were also present:-Messrs. J. W C. Bonnar, Duncan Clark, C. G. Gok, T. Kusu. moto, R. Shawan (consultingcommittee), E. G. Barrott, G. R. Edwards, J. D. Auld, E. A. G. May, J. S. Roach, and S. R. Carilli (secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting. The Chairman said :-- Gentlemen, -- The report and accounts having been circulated I propose to take them as read. I regret the results of last year's working are so unfavourable. but considering the well-known depression that has existed in the shipping trade, shareholders I think will not be surprised at the falling off of profit on trading; coincidental with this it has been our misidrtune to have to meet the cost of exceptional repairs. Damage to the extent of \$7,000 was caused by the typhoon of October soth, and bills for upkeep and maintenance were very heavy indeed, all of which however have been debited to working account. I am two oldest boats during the year though the dilapidated to inpair we considered it in the

giad to say we have been able to dispose of our price realised was only some \$3,300. The boats being expensive to rundand too old and best interests of the company to sell them at what after all was their break-up value. The remaining boats taken over from the Hongkong Steam Waterbont Co, have been thoroughly overhauted and repaired, and our Superintendent reports that all our ten boats 'are' now in first class condition. I hope, gentlemen, voi will approve of the balance of profit and loss account-being-transferred-to-a special-repairscount. I would mention that the object of this special account is to form a fund to cover exceptional repair bills we may have to meet, and also to serve as the nucleus of an insurance fund for such of our boats as are uninsured. With the improving conditions of trade the prospects for the present year are distinctly more favourable and I think we can reasonably expect better results in the future. now beg to move that the report and account be received, approved, and adopted: after this resolution-has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my shillty any questions shareholders may, wish to ask, There were no questions.

The Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. R. Shawan seconded

Motion carried unanimously. 'Capt. J. S. Roach moved the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. P. J. Bisschop on the consulting committee. Mr. G. R. Edwards seconded.

The Chairman !-- That is all the business gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance.

THE REPORT. The soport is as follows:—

The general managers beg to submit their annual report and statement of the company's accounts made up to 31st December, 1909. The net profits for that, period, including \$172.51 brought forward from last account, and after allowing for bad debts, consulting com-

mittee and auditor's fees, amount to \$11,956,18, which it is proposed to carry to a special repairs account Consulting Committee: Since the last meet-

ng Messrs. G. C. Moxon, S. Silverstone and . J. Vau den Bosch have resigned and Mr. J. Bisschop has joined the committee. Auditors: The accounts under review bave been audited by Mr. A. O'D. Gourdin.

DODWELL' & CO., LTD., General Managers. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1910.

BALANCE SHEET, 3:ST DECEMBER, 1909. Liabilities.

Share Capital -- 'Authorised----

50,000 shares of Sto

Issued--

27,723 shares of \$10 each fully Sundry creditors Unclaimed dividends Profit and loss account, balance.....

5207,706.16

Waterboats as per last account\$253,165,00 Lass amount written off \$13,165.00 Sale of old

boats 3,302.85 -5 16,457,85 Pipes and staging as per-

New pier 4,560.20 Faralture Oash in Bank and in band Hongkohg Bank Fixed_

43,200,00 141 444 141 444 Hongkong Government. Deposit Sundry debtors Stock of hose, etc.....

\$297,706.16 BROFIT AED LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1908.

To Consulting Committee's Fees ... \$. Auditor's Fee. 100,00 Bad Debts 21.89 Balance 11,956.18

By Balance from last Account\$ Profit on Trading for the year... 10,762.28 Interest Transfer Fees..... \$1.00

\$ 12,778.03 LANDSLIP AT HUNGHOM.

TWO PERSONS KILLED.

7th inst. The No. 1. Dock Extension at Hunghom was the scene of a sad occurrence on Saturday afternoon, when a woman and her child lost their lives; as, the result of a landallp. The unfortunate woman, it appears, those in charge of the fire-float learnit that the Cattistock finished third. gorpess had alteady been removed.

BUFFS RACE MEBIING. CAPITAL AFTERNOON'S SPORT

The second annual regimental race meeting held by the Officers of the Buffs took place on and this was explained by the inclement condition of the weather." The sport provided was, nevertheless, interesting and the floishes, in no less than three out of the six events, were keen and exciting. Jock Scott's win in the race for the Jockey Club Cup furnished an agreeable surprise to his supporters in the "parl," who came in for \$200.70 for every \$5 invested; one fortunate gentleman had no less than five tickets on the winner while another of

Palm Tree's patrons had two. Among those present was His Excellency the Governor who arrived after the third race and stayed (Ill the end.

At the conclusion of the races, Mrs. Eaton presented the prizes to the successful owners, after which Lieut-Colonel Bayard thanked the Stewards of the Tockey Club for the use of the Course that afternoon.

The Band of the Buffs enlivered the proceedings with pleasing selections of music capitall# randered.

STEWARDS;-Lieut.-Col. R. Bayard, D.S.O. Major W. A. Baton, Major H. Findlay, Mr. H. W. Gicen, Mr. H B. Potter and The tion. P. G. Scarlett.

Judges. - Major General R. G. Broadwood, CB., Commodore Lyon, A.D.C., R.H. Starters .- The Hon. Sir Henry May, & C.M.G., and Mr. T. F. Hough,

Clerk of the Scules .- Mr. H. P. White, Clerk of the Course. - Major W. A. Katov. Hon. Becretary,- 4r. H. W. Green,

-2.30 P.M. -THE SUBALTERNS CUP.sweepstakes of \$5 for starters. For China polo ponies the property of subalterns, The Buffe. Weights, populties and conditions as for Regimental Cup. To be readen by subalterns, The Buffs. Three furlongs. The Hon, P. G. Scarlett's Baluchi Chief.

Itst 5lbs....(Owner) Mr. H. D. Collison Motley's Kirkmahoe, rist Bibs(Sill) Mr. C. E.-G. Davidson's Scraph, fist sibs Mr. E. O. Norman's Ben Alder, 11st 11lbs

Mr. H. W. Green's Grasshopper, 22st 81bs (Henriques) · o 7lbs. penalty. Five ponies started for this race. Kirkmahoe showed the way to Grasshopper, Scraph, Ben-

Alder and Baluchi Chief, the last named having the worst of an indifferent start. Kirkmahne led the quintette round the village bend, Baluchi Chief bard ridden overtaking his leaders until he draw level with Samph who was 'second to Kirkmahoe. The leader took' the rails but could not retain his advantage being successfully challenged by Baluchi Chief, who finished a length in front Kirkmahoe. Seraph was a poor third. Time: 46 3/5.

> Pari-Mutuel. Dividends :--Win, \$ 20.00 Cash Sweep:--Ticket No. 22, 184, \$217.35 13, 2nd, '52.10 33, 3rd, Commission, 34.50

A .-- 1.00 F.M. -- THE UNITED SERVICE CUP, --A cup presented by the officers, The Buffs, added to a sweepstakes of \$10 for starters. For China ponies the bona fide property Weight for inches as per Hongkong Jockey Club scale raised 7 lbs. Penalties: Winners at Hongkong Meeting, 1910, once 7 lbs, twice or oftener 14 lbs. Subscription griffing of this season, 1909-1910, allowed 5 lbs. To be

Capt. Heathcote's Tomabawk, ust albat (Owner) Capts. Dwyer and Beasley's Kerry, aist albsi Major-Gen. Broadwood's Rufus; 11st 81bs ...

Major Raton and Mr Potter's Jock Scott inte Paim Tree, rast tibs*(Potter) Mr. J. Crookenden's Resolution, 11st 11lba* (Owner) o Mr. Leeson's Seafoam, 11st 5lbs ...(Owner) Dr. Riggall's Mummery, 11st sibs (Maxwell)

Commodore Lyon's Llama Chief, 11st 21b

🔻 🤊 lbs. panalty. † Allowed 5 lbs. Rufus was on the rails before the fall of the flag and Tomahawk on the outside. To good start Rufus and Jock Scott went in front of the field and led for the first furlong, Mummery, several lengths, bringing up the rear. At the Bowrington gate Tomahawk forced the pace and got ahead of Rufus, the two keeping in close company together. Kerry was fifth, but overbauled the fourth pony at the bottom of the incline. Passing the Black Rock Tomahawk showed to the front of Rufus, Resolution and Kerry in the order named Mummery many lengths behind last. Going down the incline Kerry sushed to the front and was almost level with Rufus who was only balf a length behind; Tomabawk on the rails. The two favourites made a good race in the home straight, Tomahawk being on the rails and Kerry on the outside, 'Capt. Heathcote's mount was the better of the two and passed the winning post a length ahead of Kerry. Rnius

was a good third. Time: 1m. 56 1/5 sec. Pari-Mutual. Dividends:-Win. \$ 24.80

Cash sweep:-Ticket No. 26, 1st, \$412.65 20, 2nd, 117.90 . 53, 3rd, Commission 65.50

3.-3.30 P.M. - THE POLO SCURRY. - A piece of plate, added to a sweepstakes of \$5 for starters. For bonk fide China pole ponies, to be certified as such by the hon, secretary, Hongkong Polo Club. Catch weights zist, 7 lbs To be ridden by members of the Hongkong Polo Club. Three farlongs.

Mr. J. Johnstone's Salvator, 11st 7lb Capt. Brierley's Cattistock, 11st 7lb (Heathcote) Mr. O. E. G.Davidson's Scraph, 11st 71b.....

Cants. Dwyer & Bearley's Tamar, 11st 7lb Commodore Lyon's Swan, 11st 7lb......

(Fligherbert) The Hop. P. G. Scarlett's Baluchi Chief,

trat 7lb(Owner) o After two false starts the field got away with were at the time of the fatal mishap on Seraph in the lead and Billy several lengths the work on the extension and before she had Billy rapidly made up lost ground, while the struggle was a keen and exciting one, the time to realise what had happened both readily Cattletock was making gallant efforts to get trio galloping on equal terms. Tomahawk ' population fell victims to Nature's freak. Shortly after the level with the leaders. Mr. Johnstone's mount could not resist the strongous challenge and occurrence, the Police were notified of the fatal | led at the village bend, hard pressed by the | the race resolved itself into a trial of speed accident and a fire-float was dispatched to the next favourite, Billy. Salvator successfully between Salvator and Coxcomb. The former scene for the purpose of recovering the dead resisted Major Finlay's challenge and romped had the advantage of a more experienced and bodies of the deceased but on arrival there bome an easy winner with a length to spare, successful jockey and caught the judge's eye

Pari-Mutuel. Dividends -- Win, S 6.20" Chab: sween :--

Ticket: No. 30, 1st, \$456.75 14, 20d, 130.50 Commission. · 72.50

4.-- 4.00 P.M .-- THE TOCKLY CLUB PLATE .-- A piece of plate presented by the officers, The Buffs, added to a sweepstakes of \$10 for starters. For China ponles the property of the members of the Hongkong Jockey: Club. Weight for inches as par. Hongkong Jockey Club scale. Penalties: Winners at Hongkong Meeting, 1910, once 7 lbs, twice or oftener 14 lbs. To be ridden by members of the Hongkong Jockey Club. One mile and a half.

Palm Tree), 11st 8lbs*(Potter) Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lamerton, 11st 21b* (Iohnstone) Mr. G. C. Moxon's Gissler, tost 111ba (Maj.-

Mr. Buxoy's Dwarf Rose 10st, 12lbs (Y. aster)

one false start. At the start Sorosis led, but soon surrendered his advantage to Dwarf Rose who settled down in front of Jock Scott, Sorosis, Lamerton and Giesler. Dwarf Rose increased his lead to about ten langths followed by Lamerton. The first time passed the Judge's Box, the order was: Dwarf Rose, raced in processional order down the back stretch into the Bowrington bend when Glesler crept into fourth place. Dwarf Rose was still not give him too free a chance and trotted up in fine style, soon levelling with and passing Dwarf Rose nearing the village, Gioslar by this time had got into third place while Jock Scott was coming up in a spanking gallop, outside. Dwarf Rose had fallen away several leader and managed to 'displace Lamerton' at the post by half a length. Giesler was third,

> Dividends:-Winner \$209.70 Oash sweep:-Ticket No. 135, 1st \$554.40 132, 20d \$158:40 70, 3rd \$ 79 20 Commission S 88 oc

5.-4.45 p.m.-THE REGIMENTAL CUP.-A sweepstakes of Se for starters. For Chica polo ponies the property of officers, The Buffs, to be certified as such by the stewards of the meeting. Weight for inches as per lockey Club scale raised 7 lbs. 'Fo be ridden by officers of the Regiment. Penalties Winners at Hongkong meeting, 1910, once 7 lbs, twice to lbs, three times or oftens 14 lbs. Five furlongs.

The Hon, P. G. Scarlett's Baluchi Chief IIst (lbs.....(Owner) Major Findlay's Billy, 11st 12lbs | ... (Owner) Mr. J. Grookenden's Resolution, 11st glbs* Mr. R. P. Wedd's Shandy Gaff, 11st tribs...

Lt.-Col. Bayard's Game Chick, 12st 5lbs...... (Owner)

officers of the Navy and Army, South China. | field of six away on equal terms. Billy shot to the front followed by Game Chick, and Resolution. Shandy Gaff was several lengths behind last. At the village bend Resolution crept up into second place. Game Obick was third and Baluchi Chief fourth. The Chief ridden by officers of the Navy or Army, overtook Game Chick, on entering the straight middle and Baluchi Chief.on the outside. brought his mount, Baluchi Chief, to the front solution who finished third.

> Time: 1m, 18 2/5sec. Cash sweep :--

100, 2nd, \$162.00 134, 3td, \$ 81.00 Commission, 5 90.00

6 .- 1.15 P.M. THE LADIES BRACELET .- A -sweeptakes of \$5 for starters. For Chips ponies the bonk fide property of officers, at Hongkong Meeting, 1910, once to lbs. twice or oftener 14 lbs. Winners this day, once 5 lbs, twice or oftener to lbs. To be Once round,

Mr. J. Johnstone's ch. Salvator, nominated by Mrs. Gresson tist 7lbs (Owner) Mr. H. P. White's cr. Coxcomb, nominated by Mrs. Humphreys 11st 5lbs (Kremer) Capt. Heathcote's g. Tomabawk, nominated by Mrs. Stewart tist 13lbs (Owner) Messrs. Moxon & Gedge's Fig Tree, nominated by Mrs. Moxon 12lb ilb *(Master) Mr. I. Ichnstone's Younger Brother, nominated by Mrs Gresson sist8lbs (Maxwell) Mr. L. Leeson's g. Seafoam, nominated by Mrs. Adair 11st 5lbs(Owner)

ated by Mrs. Lyon 11st albs ... (Owner) to # Iolbs papalty.

Time: im. 57 1/5 sec. Dividend::—Win, \$9.50. Cash sweep:---Ticket N ... 41, 1st, \$630.55 176, and, 177,30 Commission, 98.50

735.00 BARLY BASTERN MEDICAL CANTON AND MACAO.

Major Raton and Mr. Potter's Jock Scott (late Gen. Broadwood)

Mr. H. P. White's Sorosis, sist 5lbs*......

* 7lbs ponalty. .Five ponies faced the starter. There was Lamerton, Sorosis and Jock Scott. The field ahead by several lengths, but Lamerton did the home straight Lamorton was on the rails. hotly pursued by Glesler and Jock Scott on the lengths behind. Jock Scott, challenged the

Time: 3m, 17-2/5 sec.

Total 5880.00

Major Eaton's Vine, 11st 5|bs......(Potter) - 0]

" *7lbs penalty, -- - † 5lbs overweight..... No difficulty was experienced in getting the home. At this stage a splendid race ensued batwaen Billy on the rails. Resolution in the Hon. Scarlett showed excellent jockeyship and in fine style. The Chief won the race, after an exciting finish, by half a langth from Billy the same distance separated the latter from Re-

> Dividends :-Win, \$30.00 Ticket No. 50, 181, \$167.00

Total Soco.co Navy and Army, South China, or of members, Hongkong lockey Olub. To be nominated by a lady residing in the Colony. Weight for inches as per Hongkong Jockey Club scale raised 71bs. Penalties: Winners ridden by officers of the Navy and Army, or members of the Hongkong Jockey-Cinb.

Commodore Lyon's g. Llama Chief, nomin-

Through Fig Tree's and Tomabawk's restlessness some delay was experienced before the start. Liama Chief (Commodore Lyon un) had to be led to the starting post and showed his bad temper by making a rush up the bank in front of the spectators' stand. He very nearly usseated the gallant Commodore by bucking as he came down the perch again. Ultimately the field got away to a capital start. Fig Tree and Tomahawk in partnership leading the bunch. At the 5 furlong post Younger Major Findlay's Billy, 11st 13lb (Owner) 2 Brother, who was lying behind, forced the pace for his stable companion, Salvator, who was hard held by Mr. Johnstone. Younger | Kowloon? Brother could not maintain the rapid pace and Gravitation } o fell away. At the Black Rock the field of Reservoir overflow seven bunched with Tomahawk alightly ahead of Coxcomb, Salvator, the favourite, being fifth. Bringing his mount sound to the outside course. Mr. Johnstone began to make a determined effort for the honours of the race. By the time the village was reached he was racing neck and neck with Coxcomb in the second place, gaining on Tomahawk's leadership with by half a length before Coxcomb who was in front of Temahink by a short length,

Total, \$995,00

Lieutenant-Colonel -D. G. -Crawford, -I.M.s. gives in the Indian Medical Gasette an interesting account of the minor Medical Services which the East India Company used to maintain in addition to the Indian Medical Service proper. They were four in number, the St. Heleon, the West Coast of Sumatra. the Prince of Wales Island, and the China Medical Services. In addition there was the very numerous Marine Medical Service, comprising the medical officers of the Indiamen but these were only appointed to particula ships for single voyages. The St. Helena Service was abolished when the island was coded to the Crown in 1833. The last officer to enter this service was murdered by pirates in 1830, and the last survivor died in 1883. The West Coast of Sumatra Service supplied the first factories which the Company prected in the East, on the Malay...Islands, and ...! came to an end in 1825 when the British possessions in Sumetra were ceded to the Dutch. in exchange for Malacca. Referring to the Prince of Wales Island Service, Dr. Crawford recalls the fact that in 18 z it was proposed to. form a fourth Presidency to include the Company's possessions in Further India with the -seat-of-Government-at-Penang .- The-schemewas never carried out, and the Medical Service was recruited chiefly from Bengal until 1867, when the Straits Settlements were removed from the control of the Indian Government and incorporated into a Crown Colony. The China Medical Service was the smallest of all, consisting of two men who served in the Company's factories at Canton and Macao, It came to an and in 1843 when the Company's trading operations ceased and the factories were closed, There is at least one distinguished name in the list of ships, surgeons who served in the East Indiamon. Mungo Park, the &frican traveller, was Surgeon's mate of the Worcester in 1792-93. Export for rubber,

NEW GERMAN GUNBOAT FOR . YANGTZE.

SHANGHAI DOCK CO. COMPLIMENTED.

A now river gunboat named Otter has just the F. M. S. during the next few years (as been built for the German Government to be follows :-added to the fleet in Chinese waters. It has been constructed and engined by the wellknown firm of J. O. Tecklenborg and Co. of Geestemunde, and re-erected by the Shanghai-Dock and Engineering Co., Ld, at their International Dock under the supervision of Herr Max Biese of the former firm.

The vessel presents an extremely smart appearance and is built throughout of a special armoured steel which combines the advantage of great strength and extreme lightness. Th quarters for the officers, crew and hospital have been thought out and arranged for the high temperatures to be met with in the upper Yangtre during the summer months, while t add to the comfort a refrigerating machine has been installed of the very latest pattern.

The machinery consists of two Schultz water tube bollers generating steam at a working pressure of to kilogrammes per square centimetre, and supplying same to two sets of triple expansion surface condensing engines running at 160 revolutions per minute and developing 1.700 indicated horse power capable of driving the vessel at a speed of 144 knots.

The official trial took place on the 28 ultimo. outside Woo-sung, with most satisfac tory results, all requirements being more than fulfilled in every case, with the result that th commission appointed by the Admiralty had the merchant marine fleg hauled down on the return trin and the haval flag bolated, denoting that the Otter had been taken over and places in commission. We understand that Mr. Bies is well satisfied with the speedy work of th Shanghal Dock & Engineering Co., Ld. and has been authorized to congratulate the firm on baving finished the whole work in much less than the contract time. - N. C. D. News.

WATBR RETURN.

Level and storage of water in Reservoir on the 1st March, 1910. CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS

LEVEL 35" 64" below) 35" 3" below overflow overflow 26' 91" below 1 28' 41" below TytamByeoverflow wolftow 6" above 2' tol" below overflow termediate overflow 13' 1" below below Pokfulum overflow overflow below : 4" below Wong-nei∢ chung ... wolltavo

STORAGE GALLONS, 149,040,000 Tytam Byewash... Tytam Intermediate 180,021,000 Pokfulum. ., 33,840,000 37,830,000 Wong-nai-chung 2,620,000

366,387,000 Total. Consumption of water in the City and Hill District during the month of February.

Consumption ... 102,145,000, 118,082,000 gallons Estimated' 208,110 population. Consumption ?

per head per > galions Constant supply in "all districts during Intermittent supply by Rider mains in Rider main districts during February, 1909. KOWLOON WATER WORKS

24'- 4" below) 14' to" below STORAGE GALLONS."

LEVEL.

Kowloon Gra-1 vitation Re- } 147,433,000 215,933,000 gallons servoir.....] 4 month of February;-

Estimated [Consumpt on] per head per The Government Analyst reports that the

water is of excellent quality. W. CHATHAM. RUBBER AND THE SHIPPING TRABE.

THE FUTURE OF PORT SWETTENHAM.

In view of the phenomenal growth of the rubber industry in Malaya during the past few years, a short review of the present production of plantation rubber with its consequent effect on the shipping trade at Port Swettenham may be of interest." The export and import trade at Port Swettenham is increasing steadily, and the direct trade between Port Swettenham and Europe is increasing at an extremely rapid The export trade from Port Swettenham to Europe is confined principally to subber. The returns of exports of rubber from Singapore, Penang and Port Swettenham for 1909

are follows :---Singapore 3,412,617=1,077 2,088,113= 912 Penang 2,060,320=1,322 Pott Swettenham The proportion of the Itotal rubber shipped

from the three ports is thus :-Penang..... 27.96" Port Swettenham 39.66'/ The quantities from Singapore and Penang include a small proportion of re-exports of rub ber from Borneo and Sumatra respectively whilst the whole quantity shipped from Port Swettenham is produced in the Federated Malay States. The actual proportion therefore shipped through Port Swettenham in 1909 represents over 40°/, of the combined output of the F.M.S. and S.S. As further evidence of the large and growing importance of rubber through Port Swettenham, the totals from that port, between Nov. 5th, and Dec 31st, 1900. were more than idouble the quantity for the same period from Singapore, the figures

-palage-From Singapore..... 344,606=154 Port Swettenbam ... 822,058 == 367. Moreover the trade returns (just published) for the last quarter of 1,00 show that the imports of rubber into Singapore were only half the quantity imported during the same period in 1908. There is only one inference

to draw from this statement and that is that the bulk of the deficiency has been diverted to Port Swettenbam. The above figures afford sufficient proof of the commanding position now occupied by Port Swettenham as a port of

ESTIMATED OUTPUT OF RUBBER.

It is now well to inquire whether this trade is likely to be maintained or increased, and for this purpose an examination of the probable production of subber in the Federated Malay States is necessary. The Director of Agriculture has estimated the output of dry rubber from

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As already seen, the total shipments for 1900 from the F.M.S. and S.S. ports were 3,332 tons In the absence of detailed figures of the respective contributions of the F.M.S., and S.S. to these totals, it is not easy to show what is the actual increase from the F.M.S., but in view of the comparatively small acreage of rubber. bearing in the Straits Settlements, it is safe t say that the excess of Q21 tons in 1909 is very largely accounted for by subber produced the F.M.S. The fact that the yield per tree is very largely in excess of what experiences planters have calculated during the past two o three years, and that in consequence mearly al estates—some of the principal estates to a ver notable extent—have found it necessary to re vise their estimates from time to time; provides additional reasons for the presumption that the output of rubber in the near future will be very largely, in excess of the previous estimates. is a very difficult matter even for expert planters to gauge the ultimate yields from-various aged trees, and it is therefore with some diffi dence that one expresses the opinion that the output during this and the next low years will cause a very great surprise to those who have based their idea even upon comparative recent estimates. 'It is a significant fact that the quantity of subber exported from the F.M.S. during January this year is 343 tons, against IGA, tons for the same month last year, being an increase of 125 per "cent." The above totals do not include subber from Province Wellesley Malacca and Johore. The above figures would give a total for this year of 7,496 tons without reckoning any increase in the average for the remaining II months. As the quantity does increase monthly, however, it appears to be safe to say that the total for 1910 from th F.M.S. alone will be nearly ro,000 tons and

for the next three years as follows; -- about 20,000 tons 10,000 # 45,000

Port Swettenham accounted for no less than 681% of the total exports from the F.M.S. for January of this year, It is not at all improbabl that the above estimates, are on too conserva tive a basis and that the quantities, especially for 1913, may be much larger. . . .

The reason for this is obvious. Port Swettene ham is situate closest to Selangor, Lower Perak and some parts of Negri Semblan. which contain the largest acreage under rubber cultivation, and this is already reflected in the very remarkable increase during the last two months of 1900, and in January of this year.

PORT SWETTENHAM'S PROSPECTS.

follows :tora about 4.000 tons. **8.000**

Even if the proportion of 40% only be main-

tained, we find that the totals to be shipped

from Port Swettenham will probably be as

We thus see that, in addition to the increasing import trade, already mentioned, at Port and we are clearing and planting as opportunity Swettenham, there are now the exports of rub- offers. Asfregards yield:--Mr. Maurice Maude ber to be condsidered. The question naturally | reports that para mbber; on land of this kind arises is, what is being done by Government | may be expected in four years from the time of to provide for the trade in the future, for there | planting to give one pound of rubber per tree. appears to be no reasonable doubt that both | and increase yearly afterwards, and . I only the present import and export trade at Port hope that this forecast may prove to be accur-Swellenham will grow to a much greater extent | ate, and that the price of rubber keeps up than even recently. We have it on the author- | sufficiently to enable us later on to get some of ity of the 'Resident-General that the Govern- I the advantage of the present high prices now ment are doing nothing; Sir William. Taylor ... ruling. It there are any questions, that sharestated at the Federal Council that "expend- | holders wish to ask I shall be glad to answer iture at Port Swettenham had been reduced to I same to the best of my ability, which was the a minimum." What does this statement imply? No questions were asked, and the Chairman Consumption of water in Kowloop during the 'A glance at the seturns of direct Import, trade | thanked the shareholders for their attendance. shows that the percentages of imports by direct after which the meeting terminated, ago, direct steamers from Europe to Port Swettenham

1908 ·

THE DIRECT IMPORT TRADE. Figures for 1909 are not yet available but the knoe, says the N. C. D. News of and inst. there is no doubt the percentage for last year As a result of this drastic operation, which has will show that the increase has been at least so far proved satisfactory, it will be universally fully maintained. The Federal Government hoped that all anxiety regarding his health will fully appreciate the advantage of the direct be allayed.

service of steamers, as practically all goods from the Crown Agents for Selanger are now shipped direct to Port Swettenham ... Private importers are equally alive to this fact, with the result that the proportion of merchandise Imported via Singapore in now reduced to a minimum and is confined to goods from America and some parts of the Continent, whence there are at present no direct services to Port Swettenham. Port Swettenham is situate, near an awkward bend of the river, randering paying tion and manceuving difficult for ocean-going vessels, with the result that some of the homeward steamers, which have scheduled times to maintain and cannot therefore risk delays, find it more convenient to anchor and, load at Deep Water Point, which is in every way especially sultable for anchorage, rather than chance detention through tides not being sultable at Port Swettenham. DEEP WATER POINT.

The mercantile community of Selangor have for some time past advocated that the present port should be supplanted and wharves erected at Deep Water Point, which is in every way superior for a large shipping trade, and the expanding trade would fully justily! Government in providing a well equipped and properly adapted port. It is an open secret that this view has the support of the Resident-General and of the leading officials in Selangor, "The reason that mothing is being done is because the Government of the Straits Settlements places the interests of Singapore first; and is therefore placing obstacles in the way and vatoeing the expanditure necessary to provide in an adequate manner for the trade through Kuala Lumpur and Port Swettenham. It is matter of common knowledge that the vast sums required for the harbour extension works at Singapore, the ultimate utility of which is doubtful, have proved a very serious drain upon the finances of the Straits Settlements. It is, therefore, of vital importance to Singapore that every thing should be done to retain the shipping trade at Singapore, and to this fact must be attributed the action of the High Commissioner in throwing cold water on the proposals to improve the facilities in the vicinity of Port Swettenham, The geographical position of Port Swettenham and Kuala Lumpur is such as to exercise a commanding influence as trade centres for the F.M.S. The trend of the trade to and from Europe and the F.M.S. is through these places and not Singapore or Penang, and it is futile to expect other considerations to interfere with, or to stem, the natural flow of trade,-H.P. Clodd in Malay Mail.

AYER TAWAH RUBBBR PLANTA-ZZONS" CO., ZZD.

HONGKONG COMPANY BOUGHT UP.

The statutory meeting of the above company was held at Shanghai on 2nd inst., to comply with the Company's Ordinances of Hongkong, There were present Mr. C. Selby Moore (in the chair) Mesers, A. Samson and J. H. Teesdale (directors), C. Hill and T. Cock (Secretary).

After the reading of the notice convening the meeting the Chairman said that the Chairman of Directors, Mr. Douglas McGregor, was out of town and his co-directors had asked him to take the chair. Mr. Selby Moore then spoke as follows :—

Asi you have just heard, this is a statutory meeting and is of a purely formal nature, but your directors think that as this company was floated privately and no prospectus Issued, this would be a suitable opportunity of giving to shareholders some information with regard to our property and prospects. Our estate is situated in Perak province in the F. M. S mear Stiawan and about \$4 hours from Penang, and has the advantage of having a navigable river, the Sungel Ayer Tarwah, forming one of its boundaries. The grant for the land was originally issued to a small company in Hongkang, the Duniop Rubber Co., Ltd., who worked at clearing and planting rubber for some two years, and the Ayer Tawah Co, was formed for the purpose of buying up the D.R.C. end to take over the estate as it stood and comtipue the planting and general development, The purchase price was . Tis.: 90,000 for all assets (including a cash bank balance of \$9,002), The purchase price to be paid in shares of the new company. Nothing was paid in cesh, and we have issued scrip for this Tla on ooo and a further to,000 shares of Tis. to each; of which Tis. 5 is paid up, i.e., our paid up capital stands to-day at Tis. 140,000, ont of our authorised capital of Tis. 300,000. The reason that there was no public subscription for our shares was simply that as a matter of courtesy your directors decided to offer to the old Duplop shareholders a prior Tight of subscription and such was the response that the capital we required was considerably over subscribed. Now as to the Estate itself: I have here a report from Mr. Maurice Mande, of the Oicely Rubber Co., which as it it a somewhat lengthy document I do not propose to read, but should any shareholder desire to peruse the same, if he will apply to the Co.'s: secretaries: Mesars Geddes & Co., an opportunity for so doing will be given. Suffice for the present if I say that the report is thoroughly satisfactory, and in the opinion of your directors the only pressing need on the estate was a further supply of labour. and as soon as we were in possession of the necessary inowers to act, we took stens to remedy this. We have constructed coolie lines The question then arises as to which of the and our last advices say that we have 85 coolies three principal ports will eventually become the now on the estate, and Tox Javanese coolies largest exporting centre for rubber and the have been engaged, and we expect to hear answer to this appears to be Port Swettenham. I daily of their arrival . This force our Manager considers ample for some considerable time to come: "An agreement to act as manager for five "years has to been made with Mr.

B. Harrop, Wwho was the Colonear the estate and who has managed the property from the time of the original grant. The size of our estate is sough? 68c. acres, which is split up into blocks. We have already planted :-Block 1-40 5,000 trees planted 1907

0,000

2-120 18,000

A-100 .15,000

IT will be learned with deep regret and feelings of the utmost sympathy that the condition of Mr. A. Brooke-Smith, who recently met with a shooting accident up-country, rendered necessary yesterday the amputation of the leg below THE HONGRONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1909 state:-The profit on working was \$303,595.05, as compared with \$243,713.58 in 1908,

The balance at credit of Profit and Loss ac count, including Sportoz. 6 brought forward from last year, and after deducting directors and auditors' foes and transferring \$5,186,50 to depreciation and repairs account, amounts to \$264,847.44, which it is proposed to appropriate as follows :--

To pay a dividend of 5 per cent. ...\$150,000.00 To write off launches To write off lighters To write off machinery To carry forward to new account ...

during the year, but in other directions there was a slight improvement. The increased profit on Working account is therefore entirely due to reductions in staff and other economies. The rebuilding of No. 1 wharf, destroyed in the typhoon of September 1906, was completed. Directors.-Mr. G. Friesland and Mr. W. Helms resigned on leaving the Colony, Mr. H. their appointment requires confirmation..

retire in rotation, according to the Articles of

solves for re-election. Gonrdin have audited the accounts now presented and offer themselves for re-election. W. J. GRESSON, Chairman.

Hongkong, and March, 1910.

BALANCE SHEET, 31ST 'DECEMBER 1900. Liabilities. -To capital, 60,000 fully paid up

shares at \$50 To estate of G. Sharp, morigage To resorve fund To insurance fund To Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ... To sundry creditors To unclaimed dividends To balance of Profit and Loss

account \$4,834,772.5

By value of land and buildings, at Kowloop as per last a/c.\$3,221,670.66 Since expended 3,721,841.66 Less sale of material By value of wharves at Kowloon as par

last account Since expended on 1 12,091,48 new Whatves By value of railways and rolling stock at Kowloon as per

last account 97,351 87 8,420.59 Since expended By value of hunches as Der last account By value of lighters as per last account 445,182.61

Less sale of two 6,000.00 lighters..... By value of machin. ery and plant as per last account... 167,752.74

Since expended ... 5,262 84 By value of sheer legs as per last account 3,000,00 By value of land and buildings at West Point.... By value of West Point wharf By sundry debtors

By value of coal on hand By value of stores on hand...... By : share Union Ins. Society of Capton, Ltd.....

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To directors' and auditors' fees..... To transfer to depreciation and repairs account To balance 254.847.44 By balance from last account..... \$30,102.50

By net earnings for 1909 303;595.6 To transfer fees..... By premium on 771 shares.....

DEFRECIATION AND REPAIRS ACCOUNT. To ordinary repairs, renewals and improvements during 1909..... \$31,993.01

By balance from last account..... \$26,806.55 By balance from Profit and Loss ACCOUNT ASSESSMENT OF THE PARTY OF THE PARTY

STREET-WALKERS BANISHED. GOVERNOR ISSUES WARRANTS FOR THEIR EXPULSION.

Twenty-five members of the unfortunate sisterhood filled the office of Chief-Detectivegathered there for the purpose of being lightweight champlonship of the Colony for prejudice when you apply for leave to appeal; Inspector Hanson last Saturday. They were banished from the Colony, His Excellency the Governor having issued warrants for the wholesale banishment of the undesirables. In the course of the morning. the women's photographs were taken for iden. tification purposes and pigeon-holed in the Datective Bureau for future reference: The number'of the banished ones most probably constitutes the bulk of the social outcasts and the Government is to be congratulated for having taken this welcome step. The nulsance had recently reached a stage which was well-nigh becoming intolerable.

Estates, Limited, have returned the deposits to were found. This will enable those interested and Customs hulks have been overhauled. Yau-ma-ti on the 30th January last as the result expected. subscribers, adding the following explana- in mosquitoes to study the pests in their natural The Shuntlen will probably be the first steamer, of a quarrol again appeared before Mr. E. R. tion :- "Through a difference of opinion con- condition. A demonstration of the methods of to arrive at the Bund from Shanghal, She is, Hallifax, First Police, Magistrate, on Toseday Corning the value of the land acquired by the disinfection as practised under various condi- we understand, already on her way north and afternoon, and were remanded. Mr., Leo. and primoters have decided to return to all These exhibitions will be given in the lower up strendy we may have a ship at the Bund. Morrell, prosecuted, and Mr. J. H. Gardiner Hongkong St. 90, Halphong/Canton Sz. 85, and here the str. Mancharia, en reach to Canlon

BOXING AT THE V.R.C. A SERIES OF CLEAN FIGHTS.

Local lovers of the manly art were provided with a veritable treat at the V.R.C. gymnasium on Saturday night, when some of the fines fights seen for a long time were witnessed by large house. The arrangements were admirably carried out and the crowd, which was an extramely orderly one, gave absolutely no trouble Mr. A. Rodger acted as referes, Mr. W. S. Balley and Lieut. B. K. Johnson, U. S. N., were the judges and Messrs. T. Meek and C. Bunje discharged the duties of time-keepers. The working committee was composed as follows :-Mossrs. A. L. Alves, J. A. S. Alves, A. Barros, O. Chunyat, J. Forbes, and R.

Lammert. Mr. R. L. Bridger acted as M. C.

The first contest was one of six two-minute rounds between Lance-Sergeant Fincher, The Buffs, and Gunner Rickwood, R. G. A. The fight from the beginning was on the side of the Storage business decreased considerably Buffs man, who kept the pace throughout the whole length of six rounds. He punished his opponent severely and the few thrusts that the latter managed to get in lacked force. In the second round the guaner hit his opponent's gloves more than anything else. It was obvious that all the science was on Fincher's side and that his opponent was no match for him. The gunner was driven to the ropes but very smartly re-A. Slobs and Mr. J. Bandow joined the Board; gained his balance just before the gong sounded. In the following round the gunner as-Mr. C. S. Gubbay and Mr. E. G. Barrett sumed the offensive with a right to the ribs, followed by a left on the point of the jaw. Association, but, being eligible, offer them- Both men waited for the other to lead, with the consequence that no further blows were ex-Auditors .- Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. O'D. | changed just before the gong sounded. Fincher commenced the fourth round with right to the ribs. He punished the gunner with rare persistency and did all the leading, hi opponent being mainly on the defensive. It the fifth round the gunner, was driven to th topes but quick, as lightning he was up again and showered a series of blows which almost caused Fincher to lose his guard. The men were sparring at Rickwood's corner when the \$3,000,000,00 gong sounded. In the last round, Fincher again led but was stopped short in his formid-550,000.00 able thrusts by a right uppercut from bla opponent. Matters were more or less progressing even when the sounding of the gong brought the contest to a close. At the conclusion of the last round, the referee announced that the rounds had been so close that he decided to call for another three-minute round. the decision being received with acclamation. Thore was give and take in the beginning of the deciding round and the guoner at one time warmed up to his work. The result, of the

fight was a win for Fincher on points. The second contest was another six twominute rounds, this time between Seaman Sky. Kerrison, of H.M.S. Kent, and Seaman Mustard. Ladies Mission. Besides those Missionary of H.M.S. Bedford. In the first round Kerrison | Societies, all the trading companies would be was twice driven to the ropes. Thereafter there were several clinches and after each break. Mustard's right found his opponent's like the Hongkong and Shanghai Bankjaw with fiell-driving force. In the ensuing rounds there was much of the give-and-take business and the fight was declared a draw.

. The next event was six two minute rounds between Lance-Corporal Field, of The Buffs. and Private Baker, also of The Buffs. and was a regular burlesque. The private, who had an advantage in height and had a longer reach than his opponent, caused roars of laughter by his crude exhibition of the noble art. He certainly did not betray thou made to them in that case. The question and all very evenly matched. Already a good signs of even a rudimentary knowledge of the art and the sum-total of his performance were gentle teps on his opponent's cheek. The opening round was fast and forious, during which the private was several times driven to the ropes but in the second round, he appeared some great general and public importance, but to loss wind and was sent to the boards vio. I it did not extend to cases where the Court had lently puffing before the bout was half-way.

Marriott, bantam-weight champion of the merely applied a settled rule of law to the facts Colony, and Seaman-Hayes, of-H.M.S.-Tamar, I.before the Court, and consisted of eight two-minute rounds. In the opening round, the Kid brought into play his I tlonal. formidable right and planted it right on the ribs of the seaman. Just before the gong sounded, the part of the plaintiffs, who are a religious both men almost measured their lengths on the body. The libel is in connection with a hosfloor owing to Hayes ducking. In the ensuing | pital over which the plaintiff had no authorirounds, the seamen continually fell. In the ty, The facts constituting the libel are not. third round, while the seaman was still on his exceptional. The libel was committed on feet the Naval Yard man used his right on his | certain persons who are missionaries. The opponent's face, when cries of " Foul !" " Clear Foul!" filled the room. In the remaining them out of the general rule applying to cases 'round. Marriott's superiority over his opponent was fast asserting Itself. The seaman was floored no less than five times in the last round but regained his feet before the expiry of the deleful seconds, but on being floored for the

sixth time, he was laid hore de combat... MAIN EVENT

The principal event of the evening was placed last on the programme. This was a fifteen two-minute round contest between. Saaman Willis, of H.M.S. Astreo, champion middle-weight of the Orient, tost, rolbs., and Bandsman Willis, of The Buffs, champion heavy weight of the Colony 12st. The fight was from the first one-sided. The seaman was obviously the better man and mostly contented himself with tiring his man out, but at times got in some vicious shots. The bandsman several times tried to rush his opponent but was severely punished by the scaman. While the fight was half-way, the bandsman was floored but got up at the sixth count looking somewhat groggy. In the eighth round, the seaman planted his left on the handsman's ribs, doing considerable damage. The tenth round was generally considered the deciding round but despite the fact that his ribs had been continually bombarded and had lost what wind be possessed, the bandsman survived the bout and got into the eleventh round. Before the bout had proceeded half-way, the bandsman was seen to stagger and was feeling decidedly groggy. The seaman refrained from bitting him and as generally expected the bandsman . 5,186.50 threw up the sponge to his opponent before the gong had time to sound. The winner was S31,993.05 loudly cheered as he left the ring for his sportsmanlike conduct.

CHALLENGE ISSUED.

In the course of the evening, Seaman Gardiner issued a challenge to Kid Marriott for the bantam-weight championship of the Colony and a \$100 side-bet. Marriott accepted the challenge. Seaman Roberts also intimated that he would accept a challenge for the a substantial side bet.

Ar the coming gathering of the members of the Far Eastern Association of Tropical Medicine. at Manila, the bureau of science will have an plication. interesting exhibit of dangerous plants of the Philippines, of plants noted for their medicinal THE China Times of the 23rd Feb. states that bars to 9,200, and the offtake has increased value, of samples of foods and drinks that have the river is open from the sea to as far as slightly. been subjected to tests by the bureau of science Meisrs. Butterfield and Swira's Wharf at Tong. A shipment of £25,000 has been made from under the pure food law and an analysis of ku, and there is nothing to prevent vessels. San Francisco to Hongkong. them and an extensive exhibition of mosquitoes coming that far without difficulty. The Ice' in the process of breeding. These latter ex- further up is from 8 to 9 inches thick, but part of the day hospital building.

BASEL MISSION LIBEL 3017. MOTION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL.

Before a Full Court, consisting of Hon. Mr W. Rees Davies, K.C., Acting Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Gomperts, Puishe Judge, at the Supreme Court this morning, Mr. M. W. Slade, x.c., made an application for leave to appeal to the Privy Council from a joint decision of the Full Court delivered on the 28th January last in the case in which the President in Hongkong of the BaselEyangelical MissionarySocietybrought an action against the Hongkong "Sheung Po Company, Limited, in which they sought to re cover the sum of \$10,000 for an alleged libe contained in an article headed " Ripping up a Pregnant Woman," which appeared in defendant's newspaper of the 24th December, 1908. Sir Heary Berkeley, K.C., who at the time appeared for the defendants, contended that the plaintiff had no right of action and as the jury awarded the plaintiff general damages in the sum of \$2,000, His Lordable entered judgment for the plaintiff conditionally and subject to the decision of the Full Court on the point of law raised by Sir Henry Barkeley. Subsequently, the Full Court held that the plaintiff had no right of action and the verdict of the special jury was therefore quashed, hence the present application. Mr. M. W. Slade, 'K.C instructed by Mr. H. W. Looker, of Messri Deacon, Looker and Deacon, appeared for th appellants and Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C. instructed by Mr. Otto Kong Sing, was for the defendants.

. Mr. Slade stated that that was an application for leave to appeal to His Majesty-in-Council under Rule 2 of the Order-in-Council dated the 10th August, 1900. The new Order-in-Council applied to the decision of the Court in that it affected. a vast number of corporations. Put very shortly. the decision, he submitted, amounted to thisthat where a corporation carried on its profession or business for its servants, as it must do. and a libel had been published against the servents imputing a criminal offence to the Sugar servants as such servants in the performance of their duty, and in consequence of the faire charge the corporation suffers pecuniary Kaoliang (Millet) damage, it could not recover in an action for libel, although the false words spoken of had caused damage. 'It could only recover on proof of special damage. 'He submitted that it was obvious that the question was one of the highest importance to all corporations which carried on business in Hongkong and China. To take a series of corporations analagous to and on the same footing as the plaintiff corporation he would remind their Lordships of the large number of Missionary Societies incorporated by Ordinance which existed in Hongkong. 'Therewas the plaintiff Society, the London Missignary Society, the Dominican Mission, the French Mission Etrangeres and the Barlin affected by the judgment of their Lordships Whather they were specially incorporated

Corporation, or other banks. corporations created by the Companies Act, whether for purposes of profit or otherwise, was immaterial. He submitted that that was emphatically a case in which their Lordships should exercise their discretion, because their Lordships' decision was one of great | be ant cipated that the various rounds in the general and public importance.

one that involved great general and public importance within the meaning of Rule a. Sub-section B. The Rule was intended to refer to a case where some new principle was enunciated of laid down and followed a well-established law. The last contest but one was between Kid He submitted that in that case the Court had The Chief Justice-The facts are very excep-

Sir Henry-They are exceptional only on

facts are not exceptional in the sense of taking of libel. The plaintiffs are only putting the defendants into unnecessary costs. I-submit. my Lords, that the Privy Council will not allow the appeal.

The Chief Justice-Mr. Slade in Chambers thought they would, being aware of the new

Sir Henry contended that the law applied to missionaries in exactly the same manuer as any other corporate body. What the purpose of a corporation was was quite immaterial The Privy Council would not inquire into the nature of the corporation. They would in onira into the composition of the corporation. There were thousands of corporations in the British Empire. There were thousands of corporations who were affected in the case of the Mayor of Manchester.

. The Chief Justice-The Rule says "Of great general and public importance and otherwise. Sir Henry-I take it that "otherwise" means if your Lordships think the view taken by the Court is doubtful. I submit that the new Rule was made to be exercised with caution. The Privy Council never intended for points of law such as in the present case to be sent up to them. The Rule was made to prevent hardships, I respectfully submit that the Privy Council will be rather surprised to have sucha point sent up to them to be decided. They would certainly like to know what doubt there was in the minds of the Court to send up the point to them. I submit that your Lordships' hands are tied. If the plaintiffs think there is a case, they should apply to the Privy Council for special leave.

The Chief Justice said he had doubts whether that could be done. Sir Henry-There is a provision.

The Chief Justice-Then the plaintiffs will be in exactly the same position as before? Sir Henry-Yes. They will not be prejudiced in any way.

Mr. Slade-Excuse me, we would be pre-Sir Henry-Of course, there will always be

The Chief Justice at this point announced that he would like to have time to consider the point and adjourned the application. Later in the morning, their Lordships granted the ap-

within a very short period,

CHINA AND TIBET. PROMPT AL TION BY JAPAN.

Peking, March 1. The courier dispatched by the Dalai Lama arrived recently in Peking and brought with him dispatches for the British, French, German, Japanese, Russian and United States Ministers, stating the Dalai Lama's case and asking for intervention.

The Japanese Minister has pointed out that China's dismissal of the Dalai Lama without consultation with the Powers interested is a serious blunder. Japan in virtue of her alliance will support Great Britain in the event of frontier troubles, which China is now pro-

The other Powers are holding aloof. The Chinese Government is seriously perturbed by the Japanese communication-N.C.D. News.

> NBWCHWANG. TRADE STATISTICS.

We have received the following from Newchwang Chamber of Commerce... The following comparative statistics of the chies Imports and exports of Newchwang, taken from the Imperial Maritime Customs Returns, for the quarter July-September, 1908, and 1909 will be found of interest as indicating con tinued prosperity in the trade of the port :-

Steamers. Entered Topnage Foreign Cotton Goods Pieces 464,832 737,38x

Yarn Piculs - 30,970 1. 29,230 Japanese Cotton Cloth Yards 401,500 1,701,772 Chinese C'ton Sheeting Pieces 3.922 77.806 Yarn Piculs Places Toollen'Goods 🐣 Yards

Piculs 74,378 405,973 Other seeds & cereals ... 6,990

1,159,763 1,266,740 Beaucake' Bean Oil Coal (Fushum)

Dges & Duties collected Total Revenue Hk Taels 170:461 315,754 140,50

PICTORIA RECREATION CLUB. BOXING CONTEST TO MIGHTON

From the list'of events, already published in these columns, the boxing contests to be held at the Victoria Recreation Club to-night promise to be extremely interesting. A visit to The Gympasium in the course of the forenoon to-day was sufficiently convincing that the sub-committee of the V. R. C. has worked epergetically to make the entertainment a perfectly attractive one and the accommodation for the visitors all that can be desired.

From a sportsman's point of view, it can safely preliminary as well as the main events will hir Henry Berkeley submitted that their prove extremely exciting, as the opposing Lordships had not power to grant the applica- fighters are reported to be in the best of fettle involved in their judgment was not, he submitted. I many of the ringside seats have been booked I and it is expected that by this evening most of I them will have been secured by those who are cager to see a clean and fair fight to the finish.

____ BULLION.

Mossrs. Mocatta and Goldsmid's circular dated London, February 11, says :-

althorh_very_bulet_has_shewn steadiness and I 108/6. Leaburys have suncted a decline 254d, to which it had failen on the date of our | 84/-, but none are obtainable under 90/ last circular, proved to be the turning point, Linggis are a firmer market at 48/ . London and the price has since varied between 13 11/16 Aslatics, have risen considerably to 137/6 and haid."

New Year, have curtailed the transactions for price comes lower, viz., buyers at 127/6. 'Rubthe quarter and the market has been very ber Trusts have been placed at 55/-, 53/6 and dependent on Indian operations who, however, I sil-, closing firm at latter price. Sekongs are have been inclined to cover their "bear" sales | glightly easier at 29/+ premium, and Shelfords now falling due.

between the Bank of England, the Continent andf local buyers; the Bank having received buyers at 110/-. Tandjongs have been in fair during the week £280,000 in bars. On the other hand sovereigns to the value of £522,000 | during the week, closing stendy after sales at and South America.

Messrs, Samuel Montagu and Co.'s Circular dated London, February 10, contains the fol-

Gold,-The arrivals of bar gold amounted to about half-a-million sterling. After deduction of the usual portion reserved for India and the Trade, the remainder, as was the case last week, has been divided between the Bank of England and the Continent.

Sovereigns have poured into India recently in such volume that it is believed that the whole amount of gold which left the country during the depression of 1908 will have returned before the slack season sets in ; this fact will have a beneficial effect on the stability of the exchange with this country. The following amounts have been received

by the Bank of England:-Feb. 5, £13,000 in bar gold, . Q4,000 at 11' at 11' at

8,000 st sov. from Australia 8,000 u bar gold:

Withdrawals have been made as under !-eb. 3, £ 50,000 in sov. for South America. 11 71 217,000 m 11 11 Paris. 200,000 .. . South America.

5,000 11 "11 100,000 11 11 The net effinx amounts to £345,000 during the wack.

Silver .- There has been no animation in the market since we last addressed you. The China exchanges have presented a week at pearance owing to the Chinese New Year which commences to-day, and business for that quarter is quite at a standstill. It will be a week or more before clear news can come from the Far Rast, whether China exchanges, are likely to harden again or not, but there are some indications that activity will set in after

the holiday. ... In the meantime, "bears" are taking advantage of the dull market to cover up a portion of their commitments, thus keeping prices, for the present, from easing off to any marked extent, The stocks in Bombay bave fallen from 400

hibits will be made in small tanks each con- shows signs of rotting rapidly. Take is getting THE three boatmen who were charged the other; THE promoters of the Provident Rubber taining the larvae in the water in which they into its usual spring trim, and the pilot cutter day with the alleged murder of a boat-cooling at

COMMERCIAL WEBKLY SHARE REPORT.

Reviewing the share business for the week Messre, E. S. Kadoorie and Co. write on 4th

nst !---A fair business has taken place in local stocks but prices have undergone little change, The Rubber market has been excited and after a further sensational rise early in the week has had a set back. Prices show more steadiness. however, as we close.

Banks.-Hongkong and Shanghai Banks continue dull and are on offer at \$950. The price in London remains at £88-10/-- ex div. Nationals have buyers at \$75, with no business taking place.

Marine Insurances.—Captons have further strengthened to \$160, but shares, are not forth coming. North Chinas have also slightly improved, as, according to advices from Shanghal, the price has risen to Tis. 115. Yangtres are on offer at \$217. Unions have changed hands at \$310, \$905 and again at \$910.

Fire Insurances.—Both companies have are celved considerable attention since the results of last year's working became known. Chius Eiros have been dealt in at \$117 and Hongkong Fires at \$2624.

Refineries,-China Sugars have been medium of a large business both for cash and forward, sales having taken place as high \$ 70 for cash. Since, however, it has leaked out that the dividend will not be more than Sio a share, the price has dropped to \$169. is understood that a large sum will be placed to the equalization of dividend fund. Luzons have been rather dull and only a small business has been put through at \$30. Perak Sugars' have improved to Tis, 000.

Mining.--- We have no changes to report in this section.

.. Dacks. Wharvas, and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been done as high as \$73 but can now be had at \$70. Shanghai Docks are wanted at Tis. 812. Kowloon Wharfs, after being parted with at \$50, are slightly stronger with probable buyers at \$60. Hongkew Wharfs are on offer at Tis. 130.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings,-Sales o Hongkong Lands have taken place at \$982 and | Foreign Affairs, replying to a question in the \$99. Humphreys Estates have improved to West Points are steady at \$424. Hongkong Hotels have further riven to Stro for the

old and \$80 for the new shares. Cotton Mills,-Hongkong Cottons are unchanged at \$6. Ewos had a smart'rise to \$136 but are again easier, the latest quotation by ceptable. Russia's official contention that she wire being Tis. 134. The latest advices by is also interested economically, strategically mail give the following prices for other and politically was reasonable. The matter Northern Mills: Internationals Tis. 64. Lau Kung Mows Tis. 7: and Soychess Tis. 370. Miscellaneous.—Dairy Farms have been in

good demand and cluse with buyers at \$174! China Borneos have weakened to Sto. Peak Trams are inquired for at \$13. Hongkong Riectics have buyers at \$20%. Green Islands are on offer again at \$71 and China Lights at S61. Hongkong Ices are quoted at \$167 ex the final dividend of \$8 tinst declared. Union. Waterboats are freely offering at par. Lang kats, after improving to Tis. 1,075, are weaker with sellers at Tis. 1,060. Sumatras are offer at Tis. 1574.

Rubbers.—Allagars have been the medium of a fair business at rates round about 7/- and 7/6; and close steady at 7/-. Anglo Malays rosp as high as 33/6 during the early part of the week; and after sales at 31/- are easier. Castlefields are quoted at 90/- with buyers slightly under. Carey Uniteds were sold as high as 24/premium, but at the close a slight reaction has taken place and buyers only offer 21/6. Damansaras are easier at 145/- and Golcondas at 125/after sales of the latter. Sales of Eastern Internationals were put through at 24/- premium during the early part of the week, but they are now obtainable at a lower rate. Highlands and Lowlands were piaced at 140/- and: 137/6 closing easier at 225/-. Kuala Lumpurs were The Silver market during the past week, sold as high as 176/-; but can now be had at at which sales were put through during the Holidays in the Far East, owing to Chinese | early part of the week, but at the close the at 70/- Sungei Kapars have buyers at 125/ The arrivals of Gold continue to be divided and Sungel Chohs, partly paid, at 72/5 premium. United Surdange, efter sales at 122/-, have demand and as high as 88/s premium was paid baye been withdrawn from the Bank for Paris | 78/- and 74/- premium. Balgownies are in demand at \$150 (Straits). Sandycroits were sold at \$30 (Straits) and can now be obtained alightly under. Indragiris have been the medium of a fair business at rates from \$101 (Straits), at the close there are buyers at \$44. Glenesiys have found buyers at various rates between \$2.95 and \$2.10 (Straits) and United Singapores at \$22 (Straits).

PREIGHT MARKET.

In their foringhtly report of 5th inst., Mesers, Lamke and Rogge write :- Since Issue of our last circular under date of 19th ultime, an insignificant-amount of chartering has come to pass. Saigon, the centre of attention at this period of the year, in particular being a source of disappointment to owners.

Saigun to this.-There was a temporary firmness in this direction during the fortnight under review, and it was generally anticipated that this trade would broaden out, but this has again proved a vain. illusion. When last reported the closing rate was 14 cents, after which again it cents was obtained. The local rice market then further improved, and freights gradually, worked their way up to 18 cents, a single fixture only, which is the top rate so far paid this season. Later on charterers were not willing to pay more than 17 cents, and realising the impossibility to secure "small-sized" vessels at this figure, larger quantities were offered, and led to the fixtures of two 45/50,000 piculs boats at that rate. Immediately after this the market weakened and at the moment of writing there is not a single order traceable for any prompt or forward dates.

Salgon to Swatow has had a fixture at at

ter has been put through at \$4.500, Salgon currency to Singapore option Hongkong at tion, the man asked the driver to wait ; and \$4,750. Hongkong currency, rate working out proceeded inside the hostel, leaving the jar at 191/19 cents Hongkong currency respectively. demand throughout the fortnight, one fixture leigns of the fare, the Jahn's, patience became has been done locally, and further charters | exhausted and he decided to pay a visit to the would have undoubtedly resulted if it had not

been for the difficulty to interest owners of putaide tonnage for such freights. The North.-Business up North continues very slack. With the near approach of the opening of the Northern ports and the rise of

Coal freights from Japan ports continue to rule firm further inquiries for tonnage unfilled. --- Fixtures reported as follows :-- Wakamatsul. Provident Rubber Keistes, Limited, the vendor tions in the Philippines will also be given. as the ice in the river shows signs of breaking d'Almada, of Mesert. Goldring, Barlow and Canton \$2.35, Moji/Hongkong, \$1.86, Hongay

Time Charters - On monthly terms the \$.50 Vestfald has been chartered for Bangkok trade, the vessel coming out from home to take up her new engagement, S.S., Sarts is intended for Java trade, whereas concerning the Quinta no relable information can be obtained for the

Sail Tonnage Loading or to load :--For Baltimore and New York :-- : 'one.' Sail Tonnage Disengaged :- None. Departure of Sallers; - None.

> THE HONGKONG BAR.

MR. SLADE THE RECIPIENT OF CONGRATULATIONS

Before the day's proceedings commenced; at the Supreme Court on Monday an interesting. function took place. There were present in the Court-room, Hon. Mr. W. Mess-Davies, K.C., Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Competts, Pulsne Judge, Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., Hon. Dr. Ho Kal, M.B., C.M.G., Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., Mr. Eldon Potter, Mr. C W. Orr. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. J. H. Kemp, Registrar of the Supreme Court, representatives of the Supreme Court Registry and several members of the innior, bar.

The Chief Justice offered on behalf. the Hongkong Bar congratulations to Mr. Slade for his recent elevation to King's Counsel and-said that he felt sure that he was voicing the views of the whole Bar when he said that the honour had been well-deserved. He wished him continued success in the honourable profession to which he belonged.

Mr. Slade bowed his acknowledgments. Mr. Slade has been prominently identified with the Colony's legal work and has a brilliant career to his credit. The honour conferred upon him by being appointed a King's Counsel has been richly merited;

CHINCHOU-AIGUN RAILWAY. OFFICIAL BRITISH VIEW.

London, March a

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for House of Commons, said that he was not aware that there was anything inherently unreason--able in the demand by Japan for participation in the Chinchon-Aigun Railway scheme. The Chinese Government must, in the first instance, decide whether the conditions are acwas, therefore, one for arrangement between Russia, Japan and China.

FURTHER PRESS CRITICISM.

London, March 3. "The Daily Obtonicle" complains that the British Foreign Office is not supporting China's scheme for the Oblochou-Aigun Railway, Since large British interests are at stake, there are no justifiable reasons why China should be baniked of the development of her own vast dominion, which urgently requires additional railway facilities in order to permit of the exminitation of its vast resources.

Earl Stanbope, writing in the "Nineteenth Century" under the title of "Britain, Japan and the Far East," pays a tribute to Japan's pioneer work in Kores, but denounces her railway policy in Manchuria and accuses the British Foreign Office of a policy of flabbiness and laistes faire. His Mujesty's Govgrament, the writer thinks, has ample scope for its powers in bringing to a conclusion matters long out-standing in the Far Bast by casting aside for ever its policy of "drift," and adopting a firm attitude in support of British trade policy, i.e., the open door.

"We should not only," continues the writer. "find ourselves working hand-in-band with the United States, whose policy in the Far East is in gennine agreement with our own, but we shall win from Ispan the respect which is always paid to the nation or the individual who knows his own mind-and-is not afraid of declaring it. We shall in the end care the gratitude of our Ally for having prevalled upon her to exchange a policy of pettiness and inconsistency for one more in accord with her dignity and lasting interests. We shall have strengthened the foundations of international peace. It is for the people of this. country to see that a strong man be appointed to Tokio, backed by a firm policy at home. Then we may hope to realize in the Far East those just rewards to which we are entitled by our position, trade and history .- N. O. D. News.

OPIUM SMUGGLING.

STEAMER FINED AT MANILA.

Yesterday afternoon, says the Manila Times of 1st inst. Insular Collector of Customs H. B. McCoy handed 'down a decision fining the coasting steamer Nell Macleod of the Maritima ficet £100 for carrying unmanifested cargo, this cargo consisting of 2.9 kilos of opium found concealed in one of the water tanks of the

steamer, January 10. It was found in the hearing that the opium was concealed by an employee of the vessel who was in the pay of the Chinese passengers on board the vessel.

This is the first seizure of any opium to be made on an interisland steamer, and it is believed to unearth a regular traffic in the prohibited drug which officials suspect has been carried on in the interis, and ficet.

Chinese are said to make regular trips ou the vessels taking a quantity of bolum with them which is concealed on the veisel. Upon arrival at ports of call they take a quantity of the drug ashore and dispose of it, thus doing a profitable business.

RICKSHA DRIVER HOAXBD. A FARE'S PRACTICAL JOKE,

The low class Chinaman is not generally credited with a sense of humour but the other day the Police were eye-witnesses of an in-I cident which served to show that it is the cents, Swatow currency, further fixtures have exception which proves the sule. To come tosince been done, we hear at 20 cents, liners | the story, a Chinaman bailed a ricksha near the Western Merket, !? he man, who carried Salgon/Singapore option Hongkong-A char- a jar, instructed the ricksha-puller to drive him to a cortain restaurant. Arriving at his destinabehind him. After having waited for some-Salgon/java,-Prompt tonnage has been in thing like four hours and there being no. Gentral Police Station with the jur. On opening the jar, the driver made the precious find of some fried mackers and a quantity of boiled water, which, needless to remark, was scant I remuperation for a four hours wait. The perpetrator of the practical joke has not been disthe water in the Yangtze a turn for the better is | covered by the Police and is doubtless enjoy

> Judge Rufus H. Thayer, of the U. S. Court for China, accompanied by Mr. A. Bassett. District. Attorney, and Mr. Murray, stenegrapher, arrived

HOAGKONG PLOWER SHOW.

PRETTY EXHIBITS AT THE BOTANIC GARDENS.

Considering the continuous absence of any sunshine for the past forinight, the flower show, conducted by the Hongkong Hor ticultural Society, which was opened i the Botanic Gardens this afternoon, can be said to be distinctly creditable to the enthusiastic committee of that Society... The pretty collection of flowers is almost a revelation and goes to prove what can be produced by amateur borticulturists in Hongkong, even under very adverse climatic conditions, given the time and the will to gather together a superb collection of exhibits as were on view in the nublic gardens to-day. Sergt P. Kerr of the Sheung Shui Police Station, New Territories, again earned distinction this year by his admirable products in the vegetable groups, being awarded a special prize of merit for his magnificent broad beans.

Another group of notable exhibits were two collections of native and foreign fruits. The only entries were those of Mr. Ho Kom Tons and Mr. D. Dorabjee who were awarded first and second prizes, respectively. Within the limited space of 4 ft. × 3 ft. the prize-winner exhibited no less than 28 different varieties of fruit including the luscious Manila mango. M Dorabise's collection was less varied, but his seven varieties of fruits were distinctly meritorious from the fact of their being home grown and comprised guayas, Indian pears and persimmons, peuches, beetle-nuts and Indian numaloes of enormous sizes. In the flower section Mr. A. Nicholson carried the palm for the six roses. The two magenta "Barbarossa" and "Richmond" were in perfect bloom and fragrance; there were three different specimens of tea-roses, viz., a "Catherine Mermet" and one "The Bride." "Souvenir de Madme, Viennot" completed the sixth rose and was unquestionably "a thing of beauty," Mr. Ho Kom Tong carried off the largest number of prizes of any individual exhibitor, the Hon. Mr Gresson coming next in order p merit. Mr. Ho again, excelled with his pote of Chinese orchids. The table decorations disappointment and 'fell' below the standard of last year's exhibits both in point of number and originality and beauty of design. For the best kept private garden at the Peak, Mr. C. Montague Ede was awarded the prize of honour. Fo Kowloon, Mr. A. Nicholson, last year's winner, was the only one who entered, and according to the rules of the competition was excluded It is not to be wondered at that there were no entries for Hongkong, considering what little land is available in Victoria for gardening. Duting the course of the afternoon the band of the Raiputs played pleasing selections of music to the delight of those who were present

Mrs. H. W. Looker distributed the prizes to the successful exhibitors.

THE PRIZE LIST.

The attendance was larger than last year's,

Mesers: W. J. Tutcher and J. Barton acted as judges in respect of the exhibits in the vegetable groups. Messrs. Heary Humphreys and D. W. Craddock adjudicated on the merits of the flowers. The judges in respect of the private gardens were Messrs, J. Barton, Lawrence Gibbs, W. J. Tutcher and Henry Humphreys. A committee of ladies pronounce ed their award on the table decorations Basides the gentlemen named Mr. Ho Kom Tong also gave valuable assistance on the working committee.

We append the awards in detail as follows:—— Plants in pots—open to all except PRAK GARDENS.

6 note of annuals or plants raised from seed the same season. - I. Mr. Ho Kom Tong : Si Paul Chater.

3 pots of flowering plants other than appuals. -I. Miss Wallace; 2 Mrs. A. W. Brewin. nots of fan palms (Livistonia chinensis) .--I. Mr. D. Dorabjee; 2 Mr. H. N. Mody. pots of paims older than the paims,—I

Miss Wallace; 2, Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson, 3 pots of roses. - r. Sir Paul Chater; 2. Miss 3 pots of freesia .- r. Mr. Ho Kom' Tong; 2

Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson, 3 pots of geraniums .- r. Sir Paul Chater 1 2. Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson,

's pots of camellias,-The judges did not consider the exhibits good enough to merit a

pots of dahlias .- 1. Sir Paul Chater: 2 Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, 3 pots of phlox drummondii,-Mr. Ho Kom

Tong; 2. Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson. 3 pots of carnations, and or picotees—1. Siz Paul Chater; 2. Mr. H. N. Mody. 3 pots of dianthus, other varieties excluding carnation and picotee,-r. Mrs. Makeham; 2

Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson. 3 pots of pansies .- s. Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson: 2. Mr. Ho Kom Tong. 3 pots of violets,-1. Mr. Ho Kom Tong: 2

Sir Paul Chater. a pots of mignonette.-: Mr. Ho Kom Tong; Sir Paul Chater.

3 pots of nasturtium (tali varieties).-1. Hon Mr. W. J. Gresson as Mr. F. Howell. 3 pots of nasturtium (dwarf varieties).-1. Sir

· Paul Chater; z. Mr. Ho Kom Tong. I pols of parcissus taxetta,--- :. Mrs. Gresson 2. Mrs. Choa. 3 pots of azaleas,-1. Mrs. Choa; 2 Mr. Ho

2 pots ferns, excluding maiden hair ferns. -1 Mr. He Kom Tong. No second award. 3 pots of maiden hair ferns,-1. Mr. J.

Plummer: 2. Sir Paul Chater. 13 pots of chrysanthemum. - I Mr. Ho Kom 1 pots of marguerite (chrysanthemum frutes-

cens)-2 Mr. Ho Kom Tong 2. Mr. P. W. 3 pots of primula.-r. Mr. Ho Kom Tong.

3 pots of pacony.—No exhibits. 3 pots of salvin .- 1 Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2 Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, 3 pots of Chinese orchids,-t. Mr. Ho. Kom

Tong 1-2 Mr. A. B. Rouse. Plants in pots-Peak Gardens only. O.D. Wilkinson:

s pots of flowering plants, other than annuals .- I. Mrs. Turner; 2. Mrs. Murray. a pots of geraniums .-- r. Mrs. Turner. 3 pots of dahlins.— 9 pots of verbenas .- 1. Mrs. Turner.

son ; 2. Mrs. E. Jones Hughes. A. B. Rouse.

2. Lady May. 3, pots of narcissus taxetta.- s. Mr. A. B.

note of fan palms (Livistonia chinensis)-1. Mr. F. H. Armstrong.

Basil R. H. Taylor. . 3 pots of French or African marigolds .---3 pots of pot marigolds (calendula officinalis.) Vegetables, &c.-Open to all except

Pank gardens and Chinese market gardeners. Collection of vegetables (not less than

variaties). These were staged in a box not larger than 4 ft. x 4 ft. 3 inches deep. Note-The winner of the first prize in class 42 was incligible as a prize-winner in any of the classes. 43-57 Inclusive,--- Sir Paul Chater: Mr. Ho

Heads of celery .- : Mr. Ho Kom Tong ; 2 4. Cauliflowers or broccoll.—I Miss Rodger e Mr. P. W. Goldring.

4 Cabbages.—I Miss Rodger: 2 Mr. D

6 Lattuces.- 1 Mr. Ho Kom Tong: 2 Dr. 2 Vegetable marrows.—: Mr. Ho Kom Tong: No second.

6 Beets,-t Mr. Ho Kom. Tong; 2, Mr. D. 6 Currots.-1. Mr. Ho Kom Tong: 2. Miss

6 Turnips.—1. Miss Patsey Kerr: 2. Hop. Mr. W. J. Gresson. 12 Opions.-Exhibit disqualified." 12 Tomatoes,-1. Sergt. Kerr : a. Miss Patsey

12 Potatoes, with Mr. Ho Kom Hong 12. Mr.). Dorabica 25 Radishes .-- 1. Hop. Mr. W. J. Gresson: 2.

75 Brussels aprouts.-1, Miss R. Laogley; . Miss Rodger. 25 pods of peas.-- Hop. Mr. W. J. Gresson; . Dr. F. Kew.

25 pods of French beans. - 1. Mr. D. Dorab co; 2. Miss Rodger. a Melons-No exhibits.

4' Cucumbers .-- No exhibits. Dish of strawberries, not lests than 20 fruits,-. Mr. P. W. Goldring: 2. Hop. Mr. W. J.

Vegetables: &c. - Paak gardens only. Collection of vagetables, not less than 6 varieties. (These were staged in a box not larger than 4 ft. by 4 ft. and 3 inches deep. The winner of the first prize in Class 61 became neligible as a prize-winner in any of the classes 62-74 inclusive.-1. Mr. C. D. Wilkinson: 2.

Mrs. Fisber. t, Mrs. E. Jones Hugbes. 4 Cauliflowers or broccoli.-r. Mr. F. H.

Armstrong: 2, Mr. G. C. Moxon. 4 Cabbages -- I Mr. F. B. L. Bowley: 2 Mr. F. H. Armstropg. 6 Lettuces.- I Mr. H. W. Looker; 2 Mrs.

6 Carcots,-t.Mr. S. Griffig; 2 Mr A. Harris, 6 Turnips.-1 Mr. A. Harris; 2 Mr. Montague Lide. '6 Onion's.—No Exhibit. 🧠

6 Beats.- i Mr. C. Montague Ede: 2 Mr. U.

15 pode of peas.—1 Mr. F. H. Armstrong Mrs. E. Jones Hughes. 25 pods of French beaus. No exhilit. 2 Vegetable marrows-1 Mrs. E. Jones Hughes. , a Mr. F. H. Armstrong.

22 Tomatoes.—No Exhibit."

25 Radishes I Mrs. Griffin.

Dish of strawberries; not less than 20 fruits.-No exhibit. Cut flowers, open to all except. Chinese market gardeners.

Classes 75-70 staged in regulation stands 12 bunches of cut flowers were shown in a regulation stands of 6 bunches 'each, not less than 6 varieties in all, nor less than 2 varieties were exhibited in the same stand,-Mr. A. Nicholson; 2 Mrs. Ho Tung. 6 Roses,-I. Mr. A. Nicholson; 2 Mrs.

12 Carnations, and or picotees .- r. Sir Paul Chater: no second prize awarded. --- 12-Pausies --- 1; htts://lo-Tung:.... Sir-Paul-

4 Button hole bouquets, 2 ladies' and 2 genllemen's, in glasses or vases.— 1. Hon. Mr. W I. Gresson: 2. Mrs. Makebam. . I Hand bouquet in vase,-I, Hon. Mr. W . Gresson.

Bouquet of wild flowers for children not exceeding 15 years of age. - 1. Miss Nancy Badeley; 2 Miss F. H. Armstrong. Cut Flowers - Peak Gardens only,

Classes 83-85 were staged in regulation 6 bunches of cut flowers, distinct varieties,-

r. Mrs. Turner; 2. Mrs. Leefe. 6 bunches pasturtium, not less than 4 distinct colours.- 1. Mrs. Turner; 2. Mrs. Leefe.

12 papsies.-1. Mrs. Turner; 2. Mrs. Ho bunch violets.-Mr. C. D. Wilkinson; 2, Lady May.

General Exhibits—Open to all. Group of flowering and foliage plants space limited to 12 feet by 10 feet. The winner of the first prize in Class 87 was ineligible as a prize-winner in any of the class 1-41,-1 Mrs. Ho Tung; 2. Hon. Mr. W. J., Gresson i. Sir Paul Chater.

Best arrangement of cut flowers and foliage according to the rules of Japanese art,-No Best kept private garden at the Peak .- Mr.

C. Mobiagus Ede. Best kept private garden at Kowloon,-No award. Mr. A. Nicholson entered; but as he was the prize-winner last year, his entry was excluded.

Best kept private garden at Hongkong exclusive of the Peak.-No entries. Best table decoration. (Fir t day only),-- 1. Mrs. Maitland; 2 Mrs. Arathoon Seth. One stump or rockwork .- s. Mrs. Ho Tung.

Two figure plants.- 1. Mr. Ho Kom Tong; 2 Mrs. Ho Tung Collection of fruit, native or foreign, not less than 6 varieties, in a box not larger than 4 ft ×3 ft. and 3 inches deep-1: Mr. Ho Kom Tong: 2. Mr. D. Dorabies. 6. Hyacinths in pots or glass.' 1. Sir Paul

Chater: 2 Mrs. Ho Tong. 6. Pots of tulips. No entries. o. Pots of daffodils. I. Mrs. Maitland.

ROBBERY AT KOWLOON.

MX-COOK MAKES A BIG HAUL.

Before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police

Magistrate, in the Police Court on Wednesday, Inspector Langley, of the Tsim-tea-tsui Water | strength." of pote of annuals or plants raised from seed. Police Station, told the story of an extensive the same season.—r. Mr. A. B. Rouse; 2, Mr. Jewel robbery on the 8th February last at No. 3. Lochlel Terrace. It appears that the consumption. Onlyla small portion is said to great Englishman, who was also a great man defendant prior to the robbery had been a be exported, and that portion is not sent to of letters. But I think Dr. Johnson drank a cook's boy in the employ of Mrs M. Liddell distant parts by any means, as those places are little too much, when he swallowed 19 or 20 and just before the burglary was committed had fufficiently served by Canton and Bangkok. Cups of his pet beverage. been dismissed by his mistress from her service. LAs the years progress, however, and the Colony | Another of our products through which we Doubtless being well acquainted with the insand extends in area and population, the rice milling have influenced the world to some extent. 3 pots of mignonette.- z. Mr. C. D. Wilkin- outs of the household, the ex-cook is alleged to industry of Hongkong promises to become one is that useful and ornamental plant, the have visited the house while the inmates were of the most important amongst our local in- bamboo. And I understand that our Chow 3 pots of nasturtlum,-r. Mrs. Turner: 2 Mr. absent and from the bed-room stole about \$705. dustries; and in some quarters both Chinese dogs and Peking pugs can hold their worth of jewellery, with which he made off by and Europeans join in the view that at no own as favourites. But to be done with 3 pots of freesia - I Mrs. E Jones Hughes: way of the dining room. The man then distant date such an amalgamation may emerge the past and even with the present, let us proceeded to adjoining apartments, the re- as will serve to put the millers on an up-to-date look at the future. I venture to predict the sidence of Mrs. Sutherland, and stole basis, level with the rest of the grain milling likelihood of an increase, in China's Influence. therefrom two gold rings and a gold bracelet world. 3 pots of heliotrope. - I Mrs. Turner; 2 Lady to the value of \$170. The thief shortly afterwards proceeded to Macao, where he A MARRIAGE has been arranged, and is expect-3 pote of ferns, distinct varieties. - No award, sought to conceal his identity, but on the in- ed to take place in Yokohama in May, between comparison with what we might easily do in stitution of extradition proceedings by the Hong. Lieut. Commander Basil John Douglas Gny, both lines. When we adjust ourselves rather kong l'olice, he was yesterday brought over to V.C.R.N., of H.M.S. Otter, China Squadron, 3 pote of palms other than fan palms .- Hon, Hongkong and this morning was committed and Miss Kathleen Strome, youngest daughter | thing to hinder us from producing a great for trial at the next Criminal Sessions. of C J. Strome, Erq., of The Bluff, Yokohama, Through the efforts of the Police, part of the Lieutenant Guy was awarded the V.C. for stolen property has since been recovered. A | gallantry displayed during the Boxer riots in word of praise is due to the Police for their China on July 13, 1000, in trying to save the wealth is nearly untouched, and is almost insmart capture, as lately the doings of the life of an able-hodied seaman while the Naval of peaceful residents.

INDUSTRIES OF HONGKONG.

THEIR RISE AND DEVELOPMENT. (Specially Written for the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

XIII.-RICE MILLING.

Although an adverse (are has befalled the Industry of wheat milling as copresented by the great work lying idle on the shores of Junk Bay, the rice-milling carried on by the Chinese goes on apace in the Colony, and was perhaps never in a more thriving condition than it enjoys at the present moment. Very few European residents of Hongkong can have any conception of the extent to which rice-milling is pursued in the City of Victoria and its hinterland villages of the New Territory. Unlike Bangkok, for instance, Hongkong cannot boast of great substantial rice works fitted up, with modern machinery driven by steam engines o huge capacity or by water power such as employed largely in Great Britain, in the milling trade. On the contrary the rice mills here are so segregated and hidden away that their existence is hardly apparent and unless one knows where to look for them, their pic sence might en lly be overlooked.

These rice mills may be found in the most uplikely spots, sometimes in the very midst of the town among a teeming population and sometimes in more suitable situations provided by outlying villages and hamlets both on the island and on the Kowloon side,

IN HONGKONG: the mills are mostly to be met with in the low levels towards West Point, principally on the Praya and in Des Vœux Road, and as a general rule they are stationed on the ground floors of converted shop-houses, capable of accommo-

dating about twenty separate mills. Hach mill is worked by one man. In its construction and the method of its propulsion the Chinese rice mill is a contrivance that certainly might have laid claim to ingenuity of construction some thousands of years ago, in the Heads of celery.-i, Mrs. Wakeham ; days, for example, when a tree fell across river constituted a bridge in the eyes of primitive man and quite satisfied his requirements (or transpontine purposes,

. But in these days of engineering developments, it is nothing short of surprising to see such gear at work as that which has served Chinese needs for so many centuries, whilst a stone's throw away one can find in full swing industrial establishments equipped with mighty installations of machinery that would do no discredit to the most advanced engineering Institutions on the Thames, the Tyne, or the Clyde.

IN CONSTRUCTION. the Chinese rice mill is not at all after the fashion that is even now considered primitive in Europe, for it does not embrace the use of mill-stones of Biblical significance or the old hand-worked mortar-and-pastla arrangement styled in ancient days a quira-a mortar-and-pastle sort of contrivance that ground the corn into floor or meal. Instead. the Chinese mill is built on the treadmill principle and is worked much after the fashion that can be seen on West River and Canton River flat-bottomed ferry-boats, this illustration being used as fairly apt, as the latter must at some time or other have been the object of notice amongst European passengers by the

The mill consists of a framework of wood, and the crusher is a heavy piece of granite attached to the opposite end of the lever on which the operator stands and which is elevated Tand allowed to drop by turns as he places the weight of his body on one flange or the other of the lever. When, by pressing forward with his left foot, the workman raises the granite block to its utmost aititude, it is some eighteen inches to two feet above the level of the ground and when the lever is released by the throwing back of the body's weight on to the other treadle the stone block comes down with great force into the stone tubs below, filled with rice ready to be ground. As the granite weight descends every two seconds or so, the grain is pulverised into flour, and; at given signal from the No. 1 man the coolis gang, the treadmill business suspended, and each workman proceeds to take out from his tub the zice which has been under treatment. This is done by means of

· WOODEN PAILS.

from which the partially ground product is transferred into very fire bamboo sieves or riddles where it is shaken to and fro and the i resultant flour deposited in convenient, re-

ceptacles placed below. After the contents of each grinding tub have been riddled, the coarse grain still remanant is thrown back into it and the grinding process was statesmanlike, and I am sure, if she could our library. I refer to the Chinese Encyis continued until the rice has been reduced by have become the patroness of tea, she would clopaedia. It may interest some who are not pulverisation to the consistency of a fine flour. have banished beer from her royal breakfast acquainted with this publication to know that

described cannot be styled as primitive, but at | Queen, Anne, of womanly memory, to wel- | ed to compile it, and that committee, with sunthe same time the Chinese claim that it is a come tea. On the surface it may seem trivial, dry changes in its composition, has been sitting cheaper way of working in this part of the but trivial things which persist will alter his. I ever since. The publication, I believe, is new world than the employment of modern Euro- | tory, and it is a fact that to get ten your ances- | in its two thousandth volume, and a copy of it, ngan appliances can secure.

coolies work with no clothing on, unless a but as nowadays English fashions rule pretty ascertaining some punishment worse than then their streaming bodies show the strengous | pire may even owe some of its expansion to the ponents." (Laughter.) exertions that they have to exercise in working insafe stimulation of Pekos and Oolong I for we the mills. As a protection against the fine flour | read of Canadian and Australian pioneers addust getting into the queue, the coolies wear | vancing more on tea-at 'least the serious head cloths also. The spectacle of twenty or clement among the settlers-than, on any thirty coolies all working at the treadmills at other liquid support. The United States one and the same time-their bodies glisten. are also attached to see, which may be ing with perspiration—is one not easily to be accribed to their British ancestry. I would forgotten; and when one comes to realise how many hundreds of Chinese are employed in pot over tea that the split occurred between the this industry in Hongkong, one cannot but Mother-country and her daughter? That tea. help the feeling that considering the arduous gentlemen, came from China, but we were not nature of the work falling upon each indivi- to blame for the tax that did the mischief. That

Most of the finished product that comes leave tea without a glance at the pleasant fact from the Hongkong rice mills is used for local I that one of its most famous devotees was a

Colony's dregs have been a thorn in the side Brigade was doubling across a plain under fire the best quality, only waiting to be mined and I la creer to ettack the native city of Tientein.

THE INFLUENCE OF CHINA ON THE WEST.

INTERESTING STALCH BY HAR, LORD LL. His Excellency Lord Li Ching-forg (the Chinese Minister in London) was the principal guest at the dinner which preceded the dis

cussion at the Author's Club in London on February 7. Mr. Paul King presided, and amongst those present were Lord Ronald Sutherland Gower, Baron, Heyking (Consul-Genera for Russia), General, Beklemishef (president, Marltime League of Russia), Sir Godfrey Lagden. K.C.M.G., Sir John Brickwood, Mr. Byron Brenan, C.M.G., Ven Archdeacon Sinclair, Mr. A. G. Angier A. L. Artus.-Mr. A.-Bruce-Toy Mr. Thomas Brown, Ivan Chen (secretary, Chinese Legation). Mr. Alexander/Harvey (late Professor of Law, Peking University), and Mr. Louis Tracy.

In giving the toast of "The Guest of the Evening," the chairman referred to the fact that His Excellency was the son of Li, Hung chang, and was the representative of one who ruled over 400,000,000 people. "In the fature we shall hear of these millions of people," concluded Mr. King, "and His Excellency has come here to-night to give us a foretas.e of what we have to expect when China is let loosa.". HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPRECH.

His Excellency the Lord Li Ching-fong fol lowed, and in the course of his speech, which

was loudly applauded, said :---Belonging as I do, to a country and a race which values literature and culture—theoretically at least-above money, which places scholarship above militarism, and to a certain extent acts on the principle that the pen is mightier than either the purse or the sword, it

is a great pleasure to address this gathering

And now, turning to the subject of my

some persons might think there had been

England was not quite the first to feel the

influence, but she was not far behind. China's

paper this evening, it seems to me as

representatives of literature of the West.

misprint, and that the heading should read. 4 Influence of the Westlon China " instead of the other way round! Yet I hope to justify it, at least in a measure, if you will lend me your sympathetic attention for a few minutes while I try to sketch our influence in the past the present, and the future. You know in astronomy certain bodies—though too far away to be seen-influence other bodies, and thus make themselves known. Some time in the Middle 'Ages, as reckoned in Europe, the attractive power of Far Cathay and her millions was felt. May I claim in this connection that we were the magnet and Europe the iron fill ings. as it were?" Do not think! that I undervalue the progress, the energy, and the inventive genius of Europe in using such metaphor. but is it not a fact that China's influence on the West exercised unconsciously, and after (Applause). the manner of a distant star, began when it drew your explorers, your missionaries, and your traders over to the Four Seas, to be followed later by your gunboats and diplomatists?

influence built ships in many European ports manned those ships and sailed them through unknown and perilous seas to her shores. Once there...a more direct exchange of influence began. I do not think we supplied you with any new animals, nothing at least so striking as the elephant of India, but we immediately appealed to a very widespread interest, namely the human digestive tract. Ships, survived their many dangers, returned to their native coasts with tea and ginger, and also appeated to the human love of decoration with ails But on the whole, I believe, I am right in saying, that the strongest influence was from the beginning exerted through tea. Socially this got bold of England especially. So far as I know, you were the first European pation to give our dried tea-leaf the honograble position it has held ever since. It is nearly as difficult to picture the British without tea as gurselves! But please allow me to remark aside that you take your tea with a little differences—a mercifully strong, and then mitigated with sugar and milk. Again, in an aside, I must put in, that with you the cup sits on the saucer, whereas with us the saucer sits on the cup as a sort of cover, partly to infuse the tea and partly to keep it hot. What far-reaching consequences have followed socially the introduction of tea What did England do before this happened? I bere was really no drink like it. Your great Queen Elizabeth, for instance, had to drink beer at breakfast. People who did not care for-water-there always have been, and, I fear, always will be, people who don't like waterwere mainly restricted to small beer, and small

This method of flour manufacture as above | table... It was reserved for another English | some 1,200 years ago a committee was appointplied from the fact that even in such social life has been quietly, but deeply, in valuable work of reference, and would enable

not labour the point too far. but was is dual, his daily pittance is dearly earned in was British! No doubt it exasperated those comparison with most of the other classes who sober Colonists to be robbed of their favourite

go to make up the great mass who are best drink, and verily from the tea in Boston Hardescribed in their own phrase—"sellers of their | bour was infused great trouble, and a broad | change in the map of the world. I cannot

both as producer and consumer of manufactures. We produce and consume a certain amount already, but this is insignificant in more to modern conditions, there will be novariety of what the world regards as necessarios nowadays. We have immense resources that are as yet undeveloped. Our mineral calculable. We have wast deposits of coal of I transported. We have from and stone, and clay

for porcelain. With a little science our glass could be improved into great beauty. Besides. this, we possess a truly magnificent reserve of labour, so great that it appears as if it must comnete with the other labourall over the world either directly or indirectly. Unless our racial characteristics alter, our people will like to work, and it is to be remembered that the Chinese labour, even when highly skilled, is content to live very simply both as regards food and clother, which will render him a formidable rival to workers of more elaborate habits. man who cats rice or any other/careal as the staple of his dist, and wears cotton has certain economic and personal, and even hygienic, ad vantages over more omnivorous feeders who dress in woollen, clothes. When Chinese labour gets a fair chance it will assuredly influence the world both commercially and politically. Our influence as producers and workers may not be entirely popular, but it will, no doubt, be partly balanced by our more generally pleasing aspect as consumers. There are so many of us that if everybody wants only a lit tio the aggregate will be large. Perhaps we could learn to produce nearly all we want within our own borders, but there is something in human unture which leads nations to hanker after each other's inventions and products, while we shall no doubt be eager to sail, we shall also be ready to buy. Our national ideals and opinions may be somewhat modified by the changes which are no doubt coming, but I do not think we shall cease to be Chinese, as it were, The nations of Europe, even the numerically small ones, preserve a wonderful amount of Individuality, in spite of close proximity to and much intercourse with each other. This is no doubt good, and it will not be a bad thing if the East preserves its distinguishing characteristics and does not copy the West, too slavishly, It will. however, be a benefit to both sides if we ence each other." Do you ask me how our influence could benefit the progressive and energetic civilisation of the West? I answer that I believe the genius of China to be above all a peaceful one, and, therefore, it is logicaliand permissible to hope that Chipa's nfluence may be exerted to hasten the time when the swords of this world shall be beaten into ploughshares, and the waste and horror of war shall give place to peace with honour for all mankind,

THE DISCUSSION. Mr. Alexander Harvey, the late Professor of Law at Peking University, said China had influenced the West very much by the compatitive system. The introduction into England of that system was very much in consequence of what had been beard here of the method of advancement of high officials. China. This influence had revolutionised their system of secondary aducation. He believed that tes, more than legislation, had influenced the British people toward temperance, Mr. Byron Brenan, C.M.G. (ex-Consul-Gen-

eral of Shanghai), who has resided for nearly forty years in China, said that trades unions in China were in existence for a great number of years before they were thought of here, though they had a mere drastic method of enforcing their principles. A man who went against the rules of the society was lucky if he escaped with his life. (Laughter.) Increased increment, in China, also was as old as the hills. In the original picturagraph characters. said Mr. H. Hartley, "of the Chinese languagues from which, with varying forms, the characters now in use have been evolved, the word 'Tuohih,' which signifies brilliancy and brightness, was represented by a drawing of the sun and the moon. . The picture character of the verb to speak, 'Yen-shih,' took the form Of the representation, of the lips and an arrow to speak to the point. Archaic as those symbols are, we have not in our language any symbol which we could so appropriately apply to the brilliant, witty, and thoughtful address of our distinguished guest-the sun giving light colour, and life, and the moon the cool reflections. His Lordship's visit to us to-night reminds ma of a memorable evening in this club some 11 years ago when we entertained his predecessor. Mr. Lo-Feng-He. Some of you who were present then will remember his learned and eloquent speech on English literature. speaking of the comparative recent antiquity of our English literature and the remote antiquity

of the Chinese, he said that, whereas our earliest printed work was dated some 600 years back, in China they have works dating back 0,000 years and printed in symbols which the Western world has in recent years' adopted for the Morse code. I have no wish to doubt the veracity of Mr. : Lo Feng-He, but I have never had the opportunity of verifying this. I would beer, especially at breakfast, does not entirely | like to throw out a delicate hint to his Lordsatisfy the palate. I have a high opinion of ship that there is a Chinese work, a copy Queen Elizabeth, as her breadth of mind of which would be a welcome addition to tors were willing to face that long and dangerous I think, has been promised to a society to which That the labour is arduous may be im- voyage to the Far East. And more, English I have the honour to belong. This would be a breech-cloth may be so described; and even [widely, the cult has spread. The British Rm. | boiling oil to mete out to our political op-

> The keeper of the Victoria and Albert Museum (Mr. R. F. Strange), referring to the willow-pattern plate, said our indebtedness to China in the matter of be any serious break in the price of the article pottery industry was perhaps more complete and more enormous than could be said to exist this year only accentuates the danger of extravagant buying; but when the fall begins, in any case in the whole history of the arts. The Consul-General for Russia in London,

Baron Heykiang, said the influence of China upon Russia had been that of good relations. which he trusted would continue. (Applause.) Mr. A. G. Angier touched upon a topical subject by suggesting that the House of Lords might be reformed upon the same principle as prevailed in China, where the great ones lost a degree of rank with each functessive generation, until their descendants reverted back to commoners., (Cheers.),

Several other speakers followed.

-: WHEN WILL THE SLUMP BEGIN.

Truth, of February 2, prints the following :-My oft repeated surmise and expectation of a Mincing-Lane to a degree beyond belief, Shares of two shillings each in companies not over 1,500 and 2,200 percent, with every prospect | do well when individual companies fall into not aprung up in a night; it has been silently These are Rubber Plantation Tsusis, Tos. pald and progressively established by the immense shares at 20s, premium; City Association A. world-demand for rubber and by the peculiar | 20s. shares at 30s.; Rastern Tausta, 7s. 6d. paid position of the industry and its limitations, Truth has done as much as any journal in shares at 4s. 6d. of the London Venture Cordirecting investment into this most profit poration, which is taking a leading part in the able channel for the benefit of its readers, but direction and control of the best rubber prothough I still believe that prosperity of an i parties. I do will be in a line of the state of t abundant and wonderful kind remains to be egainst the mad gamble now in progress.

First let it be clearly understood that this: boom has not been created through market manipulation or by professional riggers or speculators. It has grown up in spite of the determined efforts of Mincing Lane to prevent share gambling and to discourage company. mongoring. The chief factor has been, the phonomenal rise in the price of raw rubber, added to the wonderful profits obtainable from plantations skilfully "planted and administered. ".When: one realises that rubber. can be marketed at 1s. Id. per Ib., and has been sold at a profit of 7s. and 8s. per lb. or nearly £1,000 per ton, the huge dividends paid by the old-established estates are readily comprehended. South Airican gold mines making a profit of su. per top of ore handled can pay substantial dividends, but the capital outlay is enormous, and the expenses of upkeep, development, and mining are colossal, The Selanger Rubber Company has only an issued capital of £30,000 in 28. shares, nowquoted at 44s, or the equivalent of £22, and lis profits for 1909 are estimated at nearly Live on-more than 300 per cent, on the shares capital. Gold, diamond, and copper mining have no such rewards to offer for so limited an outlay, and the risks are infinitesimal. The turn of a miner's pick may reveal that the reef has disappeared; but the rubber tree steadily increases its output of latex, and becomes an appreciating asset instead of a vanishing one. The infamies of the Congo, too, by the destruction of rubber forests. limited the world's wild rubber supply and gave plantation rubber its opportunity. The article produced is of higher merit than the wild product, and the demand for cultivated rubber must and will increase, stimulated an it is by the phenomenal expansion of rubber manufactures. The motor and taxi-cab demands already account for a coming increase of 20,000 tons in the 1910-11 trade, while the world's production of subber last year was only 75,000 tons, which was only 5,000 tons above the 1938; output, "In 1908 plantation rubber fell to 2s 9d. per lb., but never fell below cs. during 1909, and, rose as high as 9s, 31d, To-day it is 8s, 2d, per ib, and experts declare that sor, will be reached before September.

CHIEF FACTOR OF THE BOOM.

DIVERTING CAPITAL Therefore it may be conceded that there is no industry, which to-day presents such prospects and possibilities as rubber does Although in its early stages; the Middle Rast owed its success to the enterprise and ability of certain planters and financiers, the creation of joint stock concerns has admitted the public to share in the marvellous profits. The advantages are now becoming known, and the rush to participate has brought in an overwhelming amount of capital, which is directed into a parrow channel of some thirty to fifty active companies. The result is apparent in the share list, as can be seen from this list of active stocks showing the appreciation which has occurred

during seven months:-Jan. 30,1 Anglo-Malay 13/6 22/- 8/6 Bukit Rajah Kuala Lumpur ... Malacca Prefs. ... Linggi 23/-Selangor Vallambrosa 23/- 32/6 19/6 L. Sumatra prem 2 prem 40/-

In other words, and without allowing for the handsome dividends paid, an investment of Lapon spread over this group would be worth over £3,700 to-day. The appreciation set in rapidly at Christmas, and has continued at an alarming rate ever since; and it is only reasonable to imagine that a severe reaction must ensue. But the question arises, when will the slump begin? Frankly, I cannot discern any general setback accompanied by anathy and neglect. Apart from the new worldof buyers, which was called in by last autumn's balance-sheets, and is now increasing daily, we are on the eve of greater developments. The Linggi bonus in Kamuning shares, the commencement of the American trade sales pext month, the probability of a za. per lb. rise in the raw article, and the appearance of phenomenul balance-sheets from May onwards will advertise in clarion tones the rewards and prizes of this exceptional industry.

TROUBLE IN 1913. But there is madness in the rubber market. The folk who rush in to buy 2s, shares at the relative prices of £22, £18, £17 for the pound share are preparing trouble, disillusionment and heavy loss in the future. New companies appear each day based on acreage valuation of £20 to £30, while the buyer of Selangor shares at to-day's price is giving over £400 per acre for the estate. I do not say that Selangor, Linggi Anglo-Malays and Cicely will not rise to higher levels, but it will not be on merits, it will be because the silly public is mad. The rubber industry, is safe this year, and for 1012 and 1912; but from 1913 trouble will begin, and many companies will go to the wall. There is no cause for panic; you need not clear out of the market; but I do advise judgment, caution, and the application of commonsense rules to chilly weather as we have been suffer. fluenced ever since, by the introduction of tea. us to clear up many things Chinese. Certainly rubber investments. The fact that Bukit ing from in Hongkong of late weeks, the It has affected the rest of Europe less acutely. It would have been of great service recently for Rajahs are standing at less than half the price of Selangors, because they have not split their shares into 2s. counters is plain evidence of the irrational tricks of the rubber market. Shares that cannot pay dividends for two or three years are standing at 200 to 500 per cent. premium; and their sherebolders must lose money. The fact that there cannot

> the downward career of many shares will be OBBERVATIONS.

Next week, I shall enter into closer details of the position of certain properties. So today I close with a few general observations. First, belangors are likely to pay 6s. dividends for 1909, of which 2s. 6d. has already been paid but assuming that this record can be maintained for three years, the present price is getting perilously inflated, and I think at 45s. to con shareholders should be content; and should sell. Linggi may touch 40s, on the bonus, and should be sold. Anglo-Malays at 25s., Cicely and Valiambrosas at 36s. are overvalued. Bokits, Malaccas, Batu Tige, Highlands, Langkat Sumatra, Sakong and Sumatra, Para are relatively cheap, and will share substantially during the continuance of the boom, The speculative group of huge areas, freehold estates, and great possibilities. boom in rubber shares and investments is now | such as Mables, Jequic, Madagascar, and some being realised on the stock exchange and in of the big Borneo plantations will be found more profitable and immediately remunerative; There also remains the trust group of company yet ten years old are standing at premiums of promoting and financing concerns, which will of rising considerably higher. This boom has i trouble; in fact, may benefit by such trouble. at as. 6d. premium; and the 4s. fully-paid

achieved; yet I must utter an emphatic warning THE last of the indentured Chinese left Rand on abth alt.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

10th inst. A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber this afternoon. Present :- His Excellency the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.G., His Excellency Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B., Hon. Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., (Colonial Secretary). Hon. Mr. F. A. Hazeland (Attorney-General) Hon, Mr. A. M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer) Hon. Mr." W. Chatham (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. F. J. Badeley (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hop, Mr. A. W. Brewin (Registrar General), Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.G., Hon, Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G., Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson, Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, Hon, Mr. Murray Stewart. and Mr. C. Clementi (Clerk of Councils).

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the annual report for 1909 on the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British section). FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Fin. ancial Minutes Nos, 6 to 12A. It was agreed that they be referred to the Financial Com-

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 1 of

1910). It was approved by the Council. KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

His Excellency the Governor, said it had been his custom for the last two years to lay progress of the railway for the preceding by the Colonial Secretary twelve months and a revised estimate of the total cost of completion and the report for the last year and the estimate. The revised estimates for completion was now before them and he proposed with the permission of the Council to endeavour to explain the figures and to enlarge on the details of the report as had been done in pervious years; They would probably wish in the first place that he should sliude to the total cost of the completion of the railway. The original estimate of the Chief Resident Engineer was, as they remembered, \$8,003,642. That estimate did not include the cost of workshops or rolling stock, neither of which could be estimated in june, 1907, at the time the esti mate was framed. It did not also include the interest on capital account and the loss of exchange. At the end of the year before last, 1908; a revised estimate of completion was made by the C.R.E. and was laid before the That estimate included the two items referred to-the cost of workshops and the cost of rolling stock, but it did not include the interest on capital account and loss on exchange. That estimate amounted to \$11,004,128, and at the time the estimate was laid before the Council he went into very considerable detail as to the reason for this very considerable increase. He was glad to say the estimate for the cost of completion did not very greatly exceed those figures, the total being \$12,371,495, the added cost being for interest on capital account and loss on exchange which had hitherto been omitted from all the estimates. He had explained at considerable length at the time he had introduced the annual Estimates of the Colony the reason he considered and the Secretary of State approved the sum being charged to the railway and credited to the general revenue of the Colony. Dealing with the various Items in the report the expenditure under the land remained as it was before. No alteration had been made in those figures by the final decision on the location of the terminal station. He proceeded to state that the unofficial members of the Legislative Council had been requested to meet the members of the Executive Committee to discuss the question as to the position of the terminal station. Two schemes had been submitted and if the scheme they had recommended to the Secretary of State on the advice of the Managing Director was accepted the cost of the site would be reduced by something like four lakhs. If the railway station was placed on the lots recently resumed it would

exceedingly difficult to estimate, due to the exceedingly hard nature of the rock and other causes. The total increase on the priginal estimate worked out at \$1,607,630 which worked out at something like 73 per cept, on the original estimate. He was thankful to say that all the tunnels on the railway were now completed. They had all been constructed for a double line with the exception of the long tunnel. They would see from the report that No. I tunnel was the most costly—that was the only tunuel that was made under contract labour. No. V was by comparison to this tunnel the cheapest of all the tunnels. It spoke volumes for the ability of Mr. Logan both with regard to his executive ability and the control he had maintained over the line. His Excellency went into the figures as to the revised estimates as to the cost of roads, the additional amount due to defective bridges, etc. It was intended, he continued, that the buildings should be of an inexpensive character until time showed what expensive buildings might be necessary. After stating that two and a half lakhs had already been written off on account of depreciation, he proceeded to say that the progress of the railway had been very satisfactory during the past year. The tunnels were now completed. The Beacon Hill tunnel, 7,212 feet long, reflected the greatest credit on the tunnel superintendent and his staff and the engineers engaged on the

line under his supervision. It was hoped the

line would be open to traffic by July next and

probably be increased by the same amount.

Instead of a saving of some \$86,000 effected by

Mr. Lindsey in the cost of the big cutting at

Hunghom by altering the centre line a careful

estimate of the total required to complete the

earthwork showed there would be an increase

on the estimate of \$127,080. In tunnels there

was an increase of \$311,310 which included

\$235,207 for the completion of the Beacon Hill

tunnel. These tunnels had been found to be

completed entirely by the and of December of this year. The temporary line would not as was intended go by the route originally proposed but would now follow the permanent route. By the time the rolling stock arrived i from Rogland and had been erected-it was already over two months overdue-they hoped the bridges now being reconstructed would finished. He referred to the exceedingly satisfactory character of the medical officer's report, especially with regard to the decrease in malaria cases, which was to the credit and the indefatigable exerthe medical officer; Dr. Hartley. Towards the end of last year Mr. Lindsey replaced Mr. Eves, the C. R. E. His Excellency said he had every possible reason to be satisfied with what he had seen of Mr. Lindsey's work. Mr. Lindsey had already made several proposals which had tended both to efficiency and economy. He thought they would all agree with him that it had been the best policy to obtain the highest possible expert advice, even if it did mean a little extra cost. He had only to add that if any hon, member should desire any further information or should wish to ask any questions with regard to the railway on onportunity would arise very shortly, probably at the next meeting of the Council when the resolution would be laid before the Council for

the amount of money to be spent during the

Barriso, Lagr.

PENSIONS. The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Pension Ordinance, 1862.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. Bill was read a second and third time and

The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to further amend the Liquors Ordinance, 1909. The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Bill road a second time. The Bill went hrough Committee, was read a third time and

CRIMINAL LAW.

The Attorney General moved, and the Colonial Secretary, seconded, the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Magistrates and Oriminal Law 'Amendment Ordinance, 1909. Motion agreed to.

SCOTCH OATH. The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to regulate the Law as to Oaths. "He described how the Bill proposed to do away with the klasing of the Bible in order that the opportunity of propagating disease might be obviated.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. The Bill was read a second time. The Bill was then considered in Committee. read a third time and passed,

OFFICIAL SIGNATURES FRES. The Bill entitled An Ordinance to smend the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 188 was read a second and third time and passed,

POSTPONED.

dipance to amend the Tramway Ordinance.

The Council then adjourned sine die.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Finance Committee was then held, the Colonial Secretary presiding. It was agreed that the following votes be recommended for adoption by the Council :-A sum of one hundred and fifty dollars in aid of the vote, Public Works, Extraordinary, Miscellaneous, furniture, etc. for the Public Works Department matched and the district officer's quarter at Taipo for use by engineers. surveyors and overseers.

QUEEN'S STATUE SOUARE.

posed garden at the Queen's Statue Square. Mr. Gresson-Is this to be a permanent

The Colonial Secretary replied in the nega-

Mr. Osborne-Why not put up an iron rail The Colonial Secretary: We propose to get

an iron railing from home. Mr. Osborne-I am afraid if put up a bamnoo railing now :we shall never get anything better-(laughter).

The subject then dropped.

Tau Kok slaughter bouse,

FISH EREEDING POND.

laneous, fish breeding pond construction. MA TAU KOK BLAUGHTER HOUSE. A sum of two bundred and two dollars in aid of the vote Sanitary Department, personal emoloments, veterinary staff, tallyman at Ma

HANSARD REPORTS. A sum of twenty-eight dollars in aid of the vote Colonial Secretary's Department and Legislature, other charges, Bansard reports. COMPENSATION TO SQUATTERS.

A sum of one thousand one hundred and fifty-six dollars in aid of the vote, Public Works, Extraordinary, Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1003, compensation to the squatters in Hok Un village for resumption of their land and for disturbance.

PUBLIC WORKS.

A sum of fourteen thousand six hundred and ninety-four dollars in aid of the vote. Public Works, Extraordinary, for the following

Additional Room at Queen's College for Pupil Teachers, 4.725 Market at Aberdeen.

Extension Tai Po Land Office to afford accommodation for District Officer, 7.488

COMPENSATION TO OPIUM DIVAN LICENSEES A sum of sixteen thousand seven hundred and forty-seven dollars and twenty-seven cents. in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, compensation to the licensees of opium and dross opium divans whose divans have been closed

as from the 1st of March, 1010. Mr. Gresson: Has the attention of the Home Government been called to this expenditure with a view to its being returned to the

The Colonial Secretary: Yes, His Excellency has referred to it. This was all the business.

HONGRONG HOCKBY CHAL-LENGE CUP.

HONGKONG HOCKEY CLUB 14. 10(TH MAHRATTAS.

This match was decided yesterday at 5 p.m. on the H. K. H. O. ground before a large at a depôt along the abandoned alignment. gathering of interested spectators. The game was a fast one. In the early part of the first half the Club did well, Carter opening the scoring for them. A few more attempts were then made, but all went too wide. The score remained one mil for a long while. The Mahrattas throughout were far too fast for

the Club. Before the whistle sounded for half

time the Mahrattas scored 2 goals. The scores

H.K.H.O. I In the second half, play was very even and fast. Both teams tried many a time to be provided throughout. No arrangements for Deducting the cost of Tunnel No. 1 score, but the backs seemed to be too good, signalling or interlocking yards have yet been especially those of the Mahrattas, as they very made. The amount of work involved in all seldom allowed the ball to pass them. No score | this is not large, and all should be completed was added for a long while and ten minutes t before Juna. before time the ball was in a dangerous position in front of the Club's goal and this tempted the goalkesper to rush out to effect a save when he was a bit too. slow and the ball was passed to the left-wing man who sent in a stinger before the goalkeener had time to reach the goal. The scores were s-

Mahratias He Ke He Commissioners with the ROWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

CHIEF RESIDENT ENGINEER'S ANNUAL

The following report, dated 28th February, 1910. by Mr. E. S. Lindsoy, M.I.C.E. chief resident engineer, was laid before the Legislative Council this afternoon :-

position to describe in any detail the progress which has been made during the season 1909 and rore and will therefore confine myself to a statement of affairs at the end of the year.

to placing the terminus at Taim Tsa Tsui. reclaimed ground close to the China Light and Power Company's premises for the ground lugs only. .. It has been possible however to I tary of State. level off a site at the back of the Match Factory up the approaches to Gascoigne Road thus

EARTHWORK.

A great deal of Earthwork North of Beacon

Hill Tunnel has been completed. A certain amount of damage was done by typhoons to the banks between Miles 7 and 12 and one bad slip occurred in Cutting No. 30 at. Mile sot. All damage is now being repaired and the slip has been cleared away and retain. Stations and quarters or both have to be built ing walls are being built to prevent recurrence. at all stations. Workshops and watering aron the table of the Council a report on the on the motion of the Attorney General, seconded At Mile 15 there is a very wet and troublesome rangements have to be erected and the reclamacutting. The Contractors, having practically tion must be finished before the Goods Yard finished the amount of work contracted can be laid. As regards the shops nothing can The following Bills were not proceeded for, have been relieved of further work be done in this respect because the site for the and the cutting is being finished on piece Workshop is not levelled off nor is the steel Second reading of the Bill entitled An Or- I work, and is well forward towards com- work likely to be out before April. Girders dinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure. pletion, It is anticipated that it will be sloped for Bridges 4 and 8 will not be out till the end Second reading of the Bill entitled An Or- and drained before the heavy rains. South of of March. Beacon Hill the work is in a very unfinished state due to gaps caused by the rebuilding of the contract time for completion of the reclamabridges and the amount of work left to be done | tion will have elapsed and the passenger, and

at the Reclamation. out before April by which time the bridges and Chinese Section it is proposed to open the line their approaches will be ready.

will enable the cutting to be complet- port material for the Chinese Section pated and will obviate the expenditure" contemplated as necessary to make the cutting safe had the original Centre Line been adhered to. Some five million cubic feet of filling remain to complete the reclamation between Blackheads and the Storm Water Outfall, as well as a portion of about two hundred feet long of the sea wall, which cannot be got A sum of one hundred and sixteen dollars in until the filling is more advanced, owing to in aid of the vote, Public Works, Extraordinary, the possibility of scouring out the pierre perdu Miscellaneous, bamboo fence around the pro- if too great a head of water were allowed to accomulate between the wall and the filling.

All Tuppels are now completed.

At Beacon Hill the headings met satisfactorily on 17th May, 1909, and since then the work has been rapidly pushed to completion. The Tunnel is lined throughout with a varying thickness of brickwork in cement. 'The treacherous' nature of the rock sendered lining imperative. and as it was found impracticable to line the roof only, in portions where the rock was less liable to slide, a thin skin of brickwork built tight, to the excavation has been but in. There does not seem to be any use in perpetuating A sum of five hundred dollars in aid of the the shaft on the North Face which is too near vote - Public Works. Extraordinary. Miscel- the portal to be of any service as a ventilating shaft, and as it would have cost a great deal more to brick it up than the estimated cost of six thousand dollars, owing to the very wet nature of ground, the shaft will be filled in and suitable arrangements made to cope with the water which comes down it.

At Taipo Tunnel the heading met on 28th April, 1909, and the work is now completely finished. This tunnel has been very creditably and cheaply constructed.

The following are the approximate prices and lengths per foot run :-

3-Double Line | aml medical over |

Road diversions in connection with the Kowloon-Taino Road are well forward and the fencing and draining alone remains to be finished. The excavation and piling for the bridge in connection with the Road Diversions at Gascoigne Road at Hung Hom has been completed. It was decided to get the road from a site at back of the Match Factory, referred to above, thus saving further land

acquisition.

The Bridgework has been completed with the exception of the Road Bridge No. 2 at Mile I and the rebuilding of Bridges Nos. 4, 5, 7, 8 and 12 which have failed owing to faulty design in foundations in very treacherous ground and to bad material. Some other bridges are being strengthened: The cost due to this cause is estimated not to exceed \$95,000.

TELEGRAPH. The telegraph line was laid throughout the section but only some eight miles of it is in the Turfing along banks and cuttings permanent position. This is now being taken n hand.

All ballast required for the Main Line has been broken and bottom ballast & being laid where practicable. The depth of top ballast under the eleepers' has been increased to six inches but this will not involve an increase of quantity but a redistribution of material. The quality of ballast is good and it has been brok- be at Tsim Tsa Tsui. en at a moderate rate. The ballasting of the last eight miles necessitates the laying of siding at Mile 14 to take up the ballast broken

STATIONS AND BUILDINGS. . Yaumati and Fan Ling stations were completed but no work has been done on staff quarters anywhere. It is a pity that in Railway Construction such matters are usually left to the last because it is difficult to get contractors to undertake them when there is no work of any bulk to be done close at hand. Shatin, Taipo and Lofu remain to be built as well as the terminal station at Kowloom, which remained in aboyance pending a final decision regarding the site of the terminus. Station Masters' and ·menials' quarters and gangmen's lines have to

There has been no expenditure in 1909 on Construction Plant. During the year indents were sent home for two tank engines, six open bogle goods waggons, six covered bogle waggons, twenty-six covered four-wheeled waggons and ten open ditto and two goods brakevans four-wheeled." None of these have yet 'arrived'

in the Colony. The engines and bogie goods

stock should have been out by the middle | Depreciation of Plant 100,000 of January but advice of despatch is only just pow to hand, and the opening of the line in May must therefore be delayed. A contract for the body work yand erection of the passenger stock was placed with the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company. There is likely to be delay in carrying out this Contract due to the non-arrival of fittings bafore the end of March: and the underframes As I took over late in the year I am not in a I fear will not be out before the middle of May. so that the contract time will have to be extended to the beginning of July.

OPENING FOR PUBLIC TRAFFIC.

Last year it was the intention to open for Public Traffic by using the Overland Route Lots 6:8 to 1,140 were acquired with a view, which runs parallel to the Railway at Hung Hom and to place Railway Station in a It was proposed to exchange a portion of the position which though temporary would come into the scheme for final development. Since then ideas have undergone a change and a known as the Match Factory and compensation | new proposal regarding the final location of would then have had to be paid for the build- the terminus has been submitted to the Secre-

Until connection with Canton is established on Crown Land and make use of spoil to make I nothing much in station accommodation at Kow-Joon is required for the light local traffic which avoiding the exchange and adding a valuable I in the interests of the Railway it is advisable to piece of lane practically free of charge to the work up. Pending the decision as ... the location of the terminus therefore we may take it that for all practical purposes a flag station in Salisbury Road close to the Ferry proposed in the scheme lately sent forward and another at Hung Hom will meet all the Kowloon and Hongkong requirements.

There remains a good deal to be done before the Railway can be said to be completed.

Before through opening to Canton however goods yards will be ready. As the British The girders for the new bridges will not be Section will be ready for opening before the as soon as the essentials are ready, with the 'An alteration of Centre Line in Cutting station arrangements as intimated above, in No 1 for which sanction was obtained order to work up the local traffic and to transed before the time originally antici- required, all of which will help in earning Revenue. It is impossible to fix a date at Peresent but it will take at least six weeks after the underframes are out for the Rolling Stock to be ready so that it would not be safe to reckon on anything earlier than July.

> NOTES ON THE ESTIMATE FOR [1910. 11.-Land.-Seeing that the question of the terminus is still undecided no alteration has been made in the figures under this bead. The expenditure up to date is \$762,863.65 leaving a balance of \$433,015.55.

III.—(a.)—In revising the Estimate of 1907 at the end of last year, the Earthwork appears. to have been reduced by \$132,228.62 as the saving anticipated by reducing the line of frontage of the Reclamation between Blackbeads and the Storm Water Outfall. The increase of rate due to the rock in Hung Hom Cutting appears to have been lost sight of, for the through rate that was being paid to the Contractors at the beginning of 1900 was that estimated for in 1907, and the amount of 'rock' that was likely to be met with as the Cutting went down to Formation was neglected. a fact the through rate in 1909 worked up over 517 a thousand cubic feet and will be close on \$20 per thousand cubic feet before the Hung Hom Cutting is completed. In discussing the present increase of Estimate is well to neglect the 1909 figures in order show how the increase has arisen. In the table which follows the various figures bave been lumped up in order to agree with the heads of Estimate in which the accounts have been

From this it will be seen that the Estimate for the completion of the Earthwork now amounts to \$2,587,580. an excess of \$319,403 over the Estimate of 1909 and of \$187,080 over the Estimate for 1907. It is impossible owing to absence of detailed figures in the Estimate for 1909 to explain how and where this excess has arisen and one can only say that not withstanding the saving in the quantity of reclamation which amounts to some sixty lacs of cubic feet the actual figures in Estimates for 1907 and roto for the work in Hung Hom vary as shown in the table on account of higher rates having to be paid than those originally estimated for. A further excess is the inclusion of the S60,000 now charged off and epreciation of plant. This was not made in the previous estimate. Of the Stra,600 required to complete the Earthwork outside Messrs. Leigh and Orange's contracts it will be seen from the details given below that a sum of \$59,600 is set down for works not previously contemplated but which are necessary to render the cuttings and the

banks safe. ESTIMATE FOR WORKS NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS ESTIMATES.

Making up banks at Bridges 4, 8 and 12 5 to.000 Repairing damage done by typhoons. in September last along the banks .

Raising of pitching along the banks between Shatin and Taipo Concrete Drains, Cutting 47 Rubble Toe Walls in Cutting 47

\$ 50,600 Earthwork to finish

The amount of \$40,000 for work round Signal Hill is still allowed for in the Estimate in case it is decided that the site of the terminus shall

111.-(b.) The cost of the Tunnels has work-

Tunnel No. 1 8 76.112.16 ** ** 5*** 70,490.87

** ** 5*** 991,950.94 68,150,83 397,14 301,030.04 Less Estimate for 1909 \$,499,844.69 \$ 111,320.50 which represents the present increase of Es-

Tunnel of \$ \$35,007,54 Reverting to the Chief Resident Engineer's Report for last year the following represents the rough estimate for completion given by him and the actual amount expended :---Estimated. Actual.

this leaves an excess on Beacon Hill

Heading driving 105,000 Widesing out, 500,000 Liningen construent 419,000

113,000,0 11,694:18 Bulldings, Sanitation... Nil.

51,121,000

1,410,333.71

127,000.00 \$289,333.71 III.—(c) Roads. Anticipated expenditure :--Gascoigne Road approach Metalling Turing to slopes Removing Gas Pipes, etc.

Public Works Department Road to Yaumati

In the 1909 Estimate an increase of \$2,479.84 only was shown as due to extra cost of road approach to Bridge No. 2. This was obviously au under-estimate as the quantities and rates given to Messrs. Leigh and Orange for the approaches and metalling of the Bridge amount to Sioz,200. The balance of the Estimate is for Road Diversions between Shatin and Taipo and a roadway from Hung Hom to Yaumati.

MAJOR BRIDGES. IV .- (a)-The actual cost of abandonment due to defective foundations or the use of nferior material is \$68,590.44 and the cost additions to existing structure necessary to prevent further trouble .. \$17,264. The sum of these figures and the actual cost of the bridges is \$808,583.41 to which must be added a sum of \$7,912.00 as dereclation of plant bringing the Estimate up to. \$316,495:41, an excess over the 1909 Estimate 01 \$138,729.05.

IV.—(b.) MINOR BRIDGES. The cost of abandoned structures is \$25,788.83.

as to accord with the actual requirements of by the appropriation of \$81,153.76'and'I hope the Kowloon Station Yard, a sum of Stooloog this proposal will commend itself to you as it being included as probable cost of a ferry pier. has done to the judgment of your board and whatever be the site selected. The buildings | general managers. We propose to add to the will be of a temporary nature and pending the reserve fund \$21,825.54 bringing it to \$1,460,000 settlement of questions connected with the land to pay a dividend of \$27 per share. It lam joint Working Agreement, no general offices glad to say that the first twelve months of 1909 need be built as the present construction office I have gone well, and display a recovery in the should meet all requirements for some time to premium income. Before proposing the adopcome. It is proposed to accommodate the tion of the report and accounts, I shall be glad-Stores in the old Cattle Depôt which fortunately to reply to any questions which shareholders. has not been pulled downe

1X-(a.).—The booked value of the Construction Depreciation which has been written

off 200,912.00 Anticipated sales, say 1 of this 203,769.08

\$ 101,884,53 Under X items 7 and 8 a sum of \$913,922,87

Exchange and this has not been included in any of the pravious Estimates. X.—(c.) A credit head showing the amount anticipated on sales for Stores now standing on books, less depreciation, has been opened and amounts to \$150,000. Further credit on sales

of buildings along the line to the extent of to-morrow. about \$10,000 are apticipated but are not shown in the Estimate, as they may be required to meet cost of dismantling plant and transport and other minor matters in connection with the No alteration of allocations has been made, in arriving at the above Estimate, although the

procedure followed hitherto, is not strictly in accordance with Railway Accounting. It is desirable however that an adjustment be made as soon after the Construction Account is finally closed as possible in order that the various items of expenditure be charged off to their proper heads.

INTERPORT POLO. MANILA UF HONGKONG.

oth inst.

The Interport polo match between teams representing Mapila and Hongkong took place yesterday afternoon at the Polo Ground, Causeway Bay, before a large gathering of spectators among whom was His Excellency the Governor. The hand of the Buffs, under Bandmaster Hewitt, was present and played selections during the afternoon. The teams were as follows :--

Hongkong:-No. 1. Lieut. Green: No. 2. Capt. Hell; No. 3, Lieut. Crookenden; No. 4, Mr. lobustone.

Manila:-No. 1. Capt. Mitchell; No. 2, Lieut. Swift: No. 3, Mr. Bowditch; No. 4, Lieut. Armstrong.

The home team opened the game and many opportunities they had of scoring which were missed. Crookenden opened the score for Hongkong from an excellent pass by Green. Johnstone then had a try but sent the ball too wide. The whistle then sounded with Hongkong 1: Manila o. :

At the commencement of the second chukks it looked as if the Visitors would have the home team. With the ball well placed to Mitchell, who was ahead, an attempt was made to score, when Johnstone drove up in excellent style and secured the ball. This player followed it up and missed the goal by a small margin. The play was going on for a while when Bell pot possession of the ball and scored a magnificient shot, before the whistle went, thus placing 2 up and Manila o.

In the third chukka it could be seen that Hongkong had matters well in hand. The local team pressed all through, and scored twice, by Crookenden and Bell, respectively. At this stage the score stood as follows: Hongkong 4; Manila o.

The fourth chukks was the most interesting one of all. In an offside hit Johnstone placed the ball well to Bell who scored the fifth goal. After this the Manila team started to score and put in two good shots, one by Bell and the other by Bowditch. The whistle with Manila 2.

In the fifth chukka Hongkong had Manila every time, and Bell and Crookenden each scored a goal, totalling for the Home team 7 np. Manila 2 In the last chukks two more points were

scored by the home team, this was effected by Crookenden and Johnstone. Both teams now tried hard to do more scoring, but nothing eventuated, and the final scores were :--Hongkong Q

\$16,198.10 B. N. B. Bereid

HONGKONG FIRB INSURANUE COMPANY, LTB.

ANNUAL MERTING.

The forty-first ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld. was held at the offices of the general managers to-day. The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gres son occupied the chair. There were also present :- The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Mesers, H. P. White, F. Maitland, C. S. Gubbay, (consulting committee), Ho Fook, Wong Leung Him. J. M. E. Machado, C. Osmund, A. H. M. da Silva, A. Turner, D. D. Guzder, and L. N. Logie (secretary),

The Secretary having read the notice conraning the meeting,

The Chairman said :- Gentlemen .- The re-

port and accounts have been in your hands for some days, and with your permission, I will follow the usual course, and take them as read. The year 1908, you will have observed from the figures, has proved a most satisfactory one to the company. The slight drop in the premium income was inevitable in consequence of the dulness in trade which was so characteristic a feature of that year, but the losses have kept within very moderate limits. The worst outbreak of fire in this part of the world which has occurred since we last met, was Lthink unquestionably that of January last in Manila, when damage, estimated at about a quarter of a million pesos was sustained. We fortunately escaped very lightly. You will see from the report how we propose to deal with the profit of \$318,979.30 with which the year closes. In the opinion of your consulting committee it will be of great advantage to institute a reinsurance fund. By its aid the company will be able to take larger lines in those places where experience has shown such additions to existing bridges \$3,300 and the a course to be justifiable, and it will be of total all inclusive cost \$350,126.47, being an assistance in our operations at agencies where excess of \$10,522.19 on last year's Estimate. | the company enjoys no local advantages: The VIII .- (a) .- Under Stations and Buildings, successful result of the year 1908 affords reduction has been made of \$139,998.57 so tus an opportunity of inaugurating such a fund-

may wish to put. There were no questions.

The Chairman moved the adoption of the eport and accounts.

Mr. A. Turner seconded. Carried upanimonsly.

Mr. A. H. M. da Silva moved, and Mr. J. M. E. Machado seconded, that the Hon, Sir Paul-Chater, C.M.G., Messrs, White, Maitland and Gubbay be re-elected to the consulting committee.

Mr. C. Osmund moved that Messrs, W. Hutis provided to meet Interest and Loss of ton Potts and H. Percy Smith be re-elected auditors.

Mr. Ho Fook seconded. The motion was agreed to. The Chairman:-That is all the business. gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance.

Dividend warrants can be had on application The meeting then ended.

AN UNFINISHED VOYAGE.

For many months past the promise has been held out that a rare Chinese war junk, said to. be a century-old craft, would some day or other arrive in the Thames for exhibition purposes! The hope is doomed to disappointment, for the Whang-Ho, the vessel in question, is no more, She has been abandoned at sea in a sinking condition, after a series of fierce encounters with wind and wave. The story of her last and fatal voyage, which is spread over a period of nearly two years, forms a chapter of maritima

adventure which has surely but few parallels. The Whang-Ho, fitted for exhibition purposss ambled safely across to San Francisco from her native waters. Entering the Golden Gate, her popularity proved to be such that it was determined that New York and London should also have a change of seeing her. So on January 6, 1908, the old junk left San Francisco to essay the long and boisterous passage round Cape Horn. But mariners in that stormy region were not destined, as events proved to encounter this strange and piraticallooking craft. She had to fotch up, as sailors say, at Papeate, in the Society Islands. Here her crew left her, having had an ample taste of her seagoing qualities, and she made a stay of four months. Captain Wilms, however, managed to get a scratch crew together, including some Tahitians, and once more the junk'resumed her voyage, with, among others, the captain's wife and son on board. This was in June, 1908,

A SINISTER CRAFT.

Nothing more was heard of the junk for some time. Her destination was Galveston the great cotton port of the United States. But gates interfered with her desire to round Cape Horn. One day she suddenly appeared in Torres Straits, to the consternation of Commonwealth Customs' officers/ who were convinced that she had come across from the China Seas with a cargo of contraband goods or prohibited Chinese emigrants." Captain Wilms, however, succeeded in explaining mateters satisfactorily, and the junk remained at Thursday Island till April, 1909, to refit. Then she set out for Java, and, after being once more nearly wrecked by a cyclone, managed to get into the Batavia River. Many weeks" further delay ensued here, but finally the Whang-Ho left Sourabaya on August 6, still? intending to go to Galveston, this time vià Natal. But the ill-luck continued ... She nevergot even to Natal. She met her fate some where in the Indian Ocean, according to three Tabitian members of the crew, who recently reached Sydney. Their story is that brave Captain Wilms at length began to fear that the old junk was going to places. He was now sounded with the scores. Hongkong 5; even ready to believe that the story that he was commanding an old Chinese man-of-war was a

THE CAPTAIN'S VIEWS. In his log-book Captain Wilms made the

following entry: "I am afraid she will not hold together much longer. I called He Wilman los Richards, and Tommy Bambridge, and showed them the condition of the beams, it; is certain she has never been a man-of-war. but has been specially built for exhibition purposes in the most careless "fashion." A reseal called the Solveig hove in sight, and her officers were of opinion that, as the junk was quite On Monday, 14th plt. Mr. G. E. Morrell of the jout of command, and the position was one of firm of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell | jeopardy, it would be well for those on board left for Hongkong by s.s. Borneo. During his to leave her. So Cantain and Mrs. Wilms. stay of a little over a year in Borneo, Mr. Mor- their son, and the crew bandoned the bettered reli has taken an active part in all our sports fold craft to her fate. It is not known precisely and social functions. During the six months where she finally deposited has bones, but Mr. Morrell has, unfortunately, been in very Londoners have perhaps no excuse for great indifferent health and we regret that it is chief- grief because this weird, storas buffeted relic. 1.25952.12 ly owing to this reason that he has been obliged of Chinese ship construction was never fetady 634.063.77 to return to Hongkong as rests for England,- to reach the Thames, for their enlightenment. and ammounts. The Dody Trigraph.

Turbulence at Quarry Bay.

DOCKYARD MOULDERS MILITANT. POLICE PREVENT SERIOUS CONFLICT.

Our great Hongkong house of Messrs, Butterfield & Swire has had the misfortune on two recent occasions to have reason to deplore dissensions amongst its workmon at Quarry Bayneither of which it was within the power of the firm to prevent. That this turbulence was not preventible by the Company is all the more regrettable, as employment conditions, both for Europeans and Chinese either in the Sugar giving of employment is concerned, to leave out mention of other forms of even more material benefactions_to the public weal, Messrs. Butterfield and Swire have established for them-

selves a reputation that few, if any, can equal. It was with regret, therefore, that we have now to report a recurrence at the Dockyard of the trouble which materialised at the Sugar House a few months ago. True, the conditions in the two offsirs are

ENTIRELY DISSIMILAR.

for whereas in the latter case the disputants were all within the works gate, the former makers of mischief transferred their scene of operations to the outside of the premises: and whereas the Sugar House coolies-or, rather, a section of themacted on the sudden impulse of the moment and were as speedily pacified, in this affair of vesterday's happening, the turbulence that invaded the otherwise peaceable precincts of Quarry Bay with its immense army of workmon was an organised affair which might have led to serious consequences but for the timely intervention of the Police authorities.

The first intimation of impending trouble that reached the Shaukiwan Police Station arrived at twenty minutes past eleven o'clock Thurday forencon; and by ten minutes twelve all the available men from that station had been put on patrol near the point where the trouble threatened, whilst levies were SUMMONED IN HASTE

from Bayview, Wanchai, and the Central Police Stations. In all, some twenty-five police officers were on the spot before the mid-day meal hour had expired, these including seven or eight European officers as well as Indians and Chinese of different ranks.

From all appearances, it was abundantly evident that mischlef was intended, for not only were the Dockyard gates and their approaches. from Wong-kok-taul thronged with malcontents. accompanied by the usual hordes of unemployed coolies who seem to scept out trouble ahead as vultures scent out carrion.

As it transpired, the trouble bad ariser from what may best be described as a trade or a guild quarrel. From the information which a representative of the Telegraph was able to gather, it seems that the incipient riot had its origin in the

MOULDING SHOP

of the Dockvard. If the writer was informed correctly the labour contract for the moulding shop has changed hands several times for one reason or another; and quite recently the management of the Dockyard, who had meantime undertaken the full control of the moulding. department pending the fixing up of a new labour contract, made the contract over to a bew man.

So far as bearsay goes amongst the artisans and coolies, affected by this new contractor taking over the labour supply, they were not allowed to carry on in their old capacity except at a reduced rate of wages, As most workmen would, have done, they toms of acute beri beri and died shortly resented this reduction to which they were to afterwards. Post morten examination confirmbe subjected by the new contractor; but the latter declined to parley about any enhancement of his wage rate; with the result that most of the old hands decided to go

OUT ON STRIKE.

This, however, did not dissuade the contractor from carrying out his purpose, and the places of the workmen who refused to resume work at the smaller rate wages were prompily filled up by others. of whom there appears to be no lack in this neighbourhood. The number of those displaced is variously stated at from 80 to 200, the latter figure representing practically the entire staff of the moulding shop.

But be the number what it may the strikers regarded the newcomers as "blacklegs" and has become evident that they planned an organised attack upon them as they we returning from their mid-day meal in the village to the Dockyard gates. Needless, say, the ranks of the strikers, were swelled by all the bad characters who make Wong. kok-tsui and Shau-ki-wan notorious. regards the shopkeepers of the former village, they had either been apprised beforehand of coming conflict or became alarmed at the presence of such unaccustomed crowds, for when the specially summoned police posse under Inspector Collett of Shau-ki-wan arrived onthescene a few.minutes before twelve o'clock all the shops near the place had been

SHUTTERED UP.

and most of the neighbouring householders were content to view the proceedings from their upper windows.

The arrival of the police squad-although it was only a handful in proportion-had a distinctly sobering effect upon the mischief makers; and every exertion was used by the officers of the law to keep the throngs of people on the move. When the crucial point camethat is to say, when the so-called "bracklegs" began to issue from their quarters and return to the Dockyard gates shortly before one o'clock -it required all the united efforts of the police to prevent the malcontents from rushing the " blacklegs " on masse but fortunately this was avoided through the exercise of steady, repressive tactics, tempered by a wise discretion on the part of inspector. Collect and the officers

and men under his charge. because of the fact that the crowd appeared to be possessed of all the attributes of

A POWDER BARREL just awaiting the match to burst into explosion. summons as \$450. The claim included \$50 a mentioned, has been practically used as a re- were that Allana was returning home on the the Russian provinces. Nevertheless, wheat As the "blacklegs" passed along the middle of month for board and lodging from June 1st, serve since the Diesel engines were introduced. 7th March last at 12,30 p.m. and when he got has continued to be admitted free, with the fethe road, they were subjected to much booing 1909, to February 1st, 1910, a \$7 fine paid by there are two steam alternator sets by Messrs. half-way up the street, defendant came up to sult that the flour-milling business has been. and insulting remarks. In several instances, the plaintiff at the request of the defendant Johnson and Phillips, London, with engines bim with a stick, with which he struck at him. arrests might have been justified for disorderly and \$150 for money lent. The sum of \$150 by Messrs, Bellis and Morcom, Ltd., Birming. Allans quickly dodged and missed the blow. Far East-to Habarovsk, Iman, Blagovestconduct, but as nothing serious happened the was paid into Court, which brought the claim ham, these sets' being of 350 hp. capacity. He would call a ludong, who would give corre-

every sense the wisest. police, the incoming workers who have replaced year married her, which was a month previous domestic light and power. In the boller-room | S. H. Allana stated that he was returning present drastic scheme,

been stormed, with serious consequences. bility have been freely used, by the rowdy subsequently obtained employment and paid down to 100 and 200 volts for lighting and shouled, "Police !" Police !", "Police !", "Po element. In the form of missiles, against \$150 on account.

had not acted as a salutary deterrent, There was no recrudescence of hostile display against the workers when they left dock-'yard at five o'clock, but a special police patrol was kept on during the evening and is again on duty to-day."

THE POLICING OF QUARRY DAY, It has been ou more than one occasion a subject of comment in the columns of the Telegraph that the Quarry Bay and Shau-kiwan districts are westully under-policed; and if any further demonstration of this fact were required it would: surely be found in this latest instance of the impunity with which a section of the Chinese can organise a breach, of law and good order directed against another section of their fellow-citizens without the secret service being apprised of such until, as one may say almost the last moment. As matters turned works at Taikoo or in the new Dockyard there, out too much credit cannot be given the are unsurpassed, from the workers' point of police or the promptness and effectiveness view, by anything in the Far East. So far as the of their action when in formation was laid regarding the affair. But the fact remains that this great and growing communal district not sufficiently stafted by the police, although, probably, this truism will never be borne in upon the official mind until there occurs some such tragic calamity as that to which the episode of yesterday might easily have led,

> KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY " HEALTH OF THE CAMP.

The report of the railway medical officers Dr. Hartley, for last year is as follows;-Mr. Naidu has been stationed at North Face Camp, Beacon Hill Tunnel, throughout the

Dr. Chan Tsan Kun was Assistant Medical Officer at Taipo Kau until the 5th April, when be was transferred to the Bacteriological Institute in Hougkong and his place was taken by Mr. Lam Yun Hae who remained until the end of june when the post was abolished." Mr. Kelly has superintended the Sanitary

Works in the Camps along the line. At each of the three Dispensaries, Kowloon Chai, Shatin and Taipo Kau, a Chinese dresser has been on duty day and night and from each Dispensary an Indian Foreman has made adaily round of coolie quarters on his section, issuing quinine, etc., to those in need and bringing ; or reporting cases requiring medical attend-

Ouinine pills were issued daily to cuoties whenever practicable during the months June, July, August, September and October, As the population is such a sailting one. was impossible to carry out the regular issuing of quinine with any degree of thoroughness, Coolie lines and all drains were regularly leansed with distofectant fluids throughout

Camps are all supplied with Sanitary dust

pins and refuse has been burnt daily. Pools of water which afforded barbour for mosquitoss and which for one reason or another could not be drained, have been regularly treated with kerosine oil.

The general health of the Railway employees has shown a steady improvement; there was hi decrease in the number of entries from Malaria! Fevers and Dysentry in spite of the fact that a much greater proportion of the sick men came forward for Western treatment than formerly.

There was an increase under the heading of 'Injuries!' but the cases were, for most part, slight-very few being serious enough to necessitate hospital treatment.

Beri beri still causes a fair amount of sickness and several deaths, have occurred from' this cause, some with remarkable rapidity. In November four coolies died at Kowloon Chai on four successive days, three of the deaths taking place in the same room.

The coolies had apparently been in fairly supplied with water. good health, at any rate they had been working as usual when they suddenly developed symp. ed the diagnoses. The buildings in which these deaths occurred were promptly disinfected and closed, since when there have been no

more deaths from beri beri at Kowloop Chai. The Camps at No. 5 Tunnel, Taipo, have shown distinct improvement since drainage and other prophylactic measures, which were made possible by the appointment of an extra Assist: ant Medical Officer at the end of fast year. could be carried out with some degree of tho-

Until the headings of Beacon Hill Tuppel met, allowing a free current of air through there was considerable trouble caused by the irritating vapours given off from the gelatine used for blasting purposes. The vapours given off from a well and thoroughly detonated charge de not appear to de much damage but if for any reason part of the gelatine is lighted and burns slowly before detonation takes place, the fumes given off from the slowly burning part of the charge are exceedingly dangerous causing stupefaction very quickly and death is liable to result owing to fixed chemical compounds being formed in the blood, thus

destroying its oxygen-carrying property. On June 10th, a gang of coolies had to come through dense fumes on their way out of the Tunnel at Shatin. They all complained of feeling sick and dizzy and three of them died very shortly afterwards; the rest had completely recovered by the following morning.

The total number of cases seen at the three Dispensaries was 2,192 against 2,064 in 1908 and 3,667 in 1907.

> CLAIM FOR BOARD AND LODGING.

EUROPEAN BRINGS ACTION AGAINST BROTHER-IN-LAW.

Before Mr. Justice Gomportz, Puispe Judge, in the Summary Court this afternoon, G. Ru dow, an interpreter in the service of Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son, filed a suit against Lafferty, a mechanic in the Taikoo Docks. to recover the sum of \$332; being amount due -tric Construction Company, Ltd., of Wolverfor board and lodging and other advances. Mr. Lee. d'Almada, of Messrs. Goldring. Barlow and worrell, appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Grist, was for the defendant,

notice that the claim appeared on the writ of There is little doubt that in the absence of the with defendant's sister and in September last fed by separate mains from those which supply and the reason he had done it.

aure, if the timely arrival of the policy t entered for the plaintiff for 557.

INDUSTRIES OF HONGKONG.

THEIR RISE AND DEVELOPMENT. (Specially Written for the " Hongkong Telegraph."

XIV.—HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY.

There must be many people in Hongkong who, while enjoying the advantages of electric lighting all the year round and of electric fans in the hot weather, are yet ignorant regarding the location of the big power station whence emanates the current supplied to the town by the Hongkong Electric Company. As a matter of fact, it is not an easy place to find, for the building, despite its great height, is not visible to the ordinary wayfarer, hidden away as it is in Wanchai behind the lofty tenements that front Queen's Road East on the southern side. The towering chimney stack is certainly a landmark easily observable from the Harbour, but the station, itself does not stand out in any remarkable way against the dark background of the hill which rises behind it."

Since the Company commenced supplying power to the public the dimand for electricity appears that shortly after seven o'clock on the has vastly increased, so much so that some two years ago they were obliged to undertake the reconstruction of their works at Wanchai. In 1908 the western end of the building was first reconstructed and at present the eastern end er, his neighbour, whom he requested to is just being completed. The result is a very keep watch from his house and intimated

SUBSTANTIAL STRUCTURE. reflecting all credit on the Company's enterprise and on the erchitects, Messrs, Leigh and Orange. The building is of brick and iron, with no less than 27 iron columns norting the roof (which has been raised 20 feet in the reconstruction process) and also carrying two to-ton travelling cranes necessary for handling the very heavy machinery and plant employed in the angine-room. "Half way up their entire height, the walls are tiled with white tiles, which give the station a ve bright, clean appearance; whilst the floor laid with green and red tiles, all got out from England; and these, combined with the speckdess engines and alternators, must affor every satisfaction to the most fastidious engineer who ever took a pride in the look of his engine-room.

Almost the first thing to strike the lay mind is the massiveness of the machinery at work. Some conception of this may be conveyed by stating that the fly-wheel alone of the Diesel oil type of engine weight 24 tons. The main considerations in installing engines of this pattern were economy of working and the

EXTREME SIMPLICITY

of the arrangement of the plant, involving peither boiler-bouse nor producer plant. Two Diesel oil engines are at present at work and the foundations for a third of similar pattern are being laid down. The Diesel engines require a much deeper bed of concrete than the ordinary steam engine. Both these engines are working at their full capacity during the night, but in day-time one suffices in the cold weather.

. These engines first started running in July of 1908, and since then the original steam plant has been practically in reserve to relieve the oil prime movers. The Diesel sets were built by Gebrüder Sulzer of Winterthur, Switzerland, and have a power of 300 H.P. each. They are fed from an oil fact tank of 150 tons capacity situated. externally to the engine-room. Adjoining the tank, is the water pond with a cooling tower to the top of which the heated water from the water-jackets of the Diesel engines is pumped and cooled by being broken up on a series of hundreds of laths, after which process it falls' back into the pond and is again ready for use. From this bond also the steam boilers are

The Diesel engines work on what is known amongst, engineers as the four-stroke cycle, I tain Superintendent of Police. and the main point of difference from ordinary gas or oil engines lies in the character of the fuel combustion, which is not of an explosive character-but a steady combustion at high compression temperature.

During the compression stroke, the cylinder contains air only, and the temperatures consequent upon compression of the air ignite combustible charge, dispensing with ignition tubes or sparking apparatus. The charge is blown into the combustion space compressed air after the maximum compression has been reached in the working cylinder. There is no increase of pressure on the admission of the fuel but just a slow burning of the oil in the beated air, with the result that great smoothness and resularity of running are obtained. The fuel oil is blown into the cylinder through an atomiser, which breaks it up into

A FINE SPRAY. To start the engines compressed air is used. By opening a stop valve the air is admitted to the piston for four or five strokes, after which the heat of compression in the cylinder is sufficient to ignite the fuel oil. By operating a lever the compressed air for starting the engine is automatically cut off and fuel oil is admitted to the cylinder. So certain and at the same time simple is the operation of starting that any one of these engines can be started up and put on full " load" in an affidavit. from two to three minutes.

The switch-board, by which the supply of current to the mains is controlled, is situated at the western end of the station and is operated from a gallery raised 8 feet 6 inches above the floor level. This platform is reached by "an iron staircase. The floor of the gallery is of glass. As for the switchboard itself, it is discharged the defendant. made of white marble slabs and is covered by such an intricate series of switches, circuit breakers, generator ammeters, and regulators as to make one wonder how confusion can possibly be avoided. However, one only requires to see the operator at work on the switch-board gallery to be convinced of the ACCURACY AND DEFINESS.

the power station work. This switch-board, by the way, is quite new, having been erected only last year. It was supplied by the Elechampton .- From the switch-board, the various directions and thence the current is carried by the other with assguit, shops, hotels, etc., who use electricity either as against Alla Deen first, Mr. Almada stated that his Lordship would an illuminant or a driving power.

As regards the steam plant, which, as already

other purposes. A portion of the power is also | saw a tukeng and beckened, to him to come to operation of the numbrone lifts in the Colony. And arrested the defendant,

When all the internal reconstruction work shall have been completed and the new Diesel generator set installed, the Company's power station will the second to none in the East; and as provision has been made for expansion of trade, the premises should serve the purpose for many years to come, For most of the information embudied above

we are indebted to the courtesy of Mr. W. H. Wickham, the manager, ALLEGED ARMED ROBBERS

CHARGED. DISCOVERY OF A LOADED REVOLVER

Before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police Magistrate, in the Police Court this afternoon, two men were arraigned on charges of assaulting with intent to murder, carrying arms, to wit; a revolver, dagger and fighting iron at night and carrying arms without a permit from the Captain Superintendent of Police. 1 Inspector A. Langley, of the Water Police, prosecuted and Mr. P. S. Dixon, from Mr. R. A. Harding's office, appeared for the defendants.

" From the facin related by the Police,"

17th February last, as Mr. F. Drew of 7. Lochiel Terrace, was returning home, he saw two men outside his house, who appeared to him suspicious. He went to see Mr. T. Huntthat ' be 'in o'the ' meantime would a watch from: his house to see if 't a men would return. Mr. Hunter did as requested and after a few minutes, he heard his boy shout "Save life!" and he went to his assistance. As he emerged outside the house through the front door, he saw one of two men running away and gave chase and soon overhauled him. Mr. Drow in the meantime heard Mrs. Bunter shout "Run Fritz! Do catch him! Don't let him go !" and he proceeded to tackle the second man, A slight bruise was found on the boy's back and subsequently a revolver was picked up by Mr. Hunter, who found that all the chambers had been loaded. One of the defendants was previously in Mr. Hunter's employ and on being arrested both men were handed over into Police custody,

Mr. T. Hunter was called into the witness-Mr. Dixon-Don't you think it rather 'funny

that the assault was committed and nobody Witness-I don't think it was funny at all. Did you say that you picked up the loaded

ravolver?—Yes. But it has been stated in evidence that Mr. Draw picked up the revolver?-That's quite

I suppose you ran after the defendant when you saw him?-I did. You ran for amusement? - Not for amusement. I ran to catch the man. Toere is nothing extraordinary in that,

Mrs. Hunter was the next witness. Mr. Dixon-Don't you think it rather curi-

ous that nobody saw the assault? Witness-Why should, it be carious? The man may have been able to run away quicker than we could get on to the verandah on hearlog the boy's cries. Now, tell me, would you have been able to see the assault from the dining-room? I think it is a ridiculous question to

Mr. Dixon (Pointing to a water-pipe)-Does that water-pipe belong to your house?-! haven't seen that water-pipe at all. I have lived of cercals from the Nan-kinng district, has at our house for one year and our water-pipe is not a bit like it.

Other evidence was also, taken and in the course of the afternoon two of the charges were dropped. His Worship remarking that the defendants would have to answer the charge of carrying arms without a permit from the Cap-

in the sum of \$250 each.

DEFENDANT DISCHARGED.

Before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police Mrgistrate, in the Police Court this morning. the case was continued in which S. E. Allana was charged by S. A. Marican with the alleged embezzlement of a gold watch and chain and obtaining the sum of \$250 by means of falso pretences. Mr. P. W. Goldring, of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell, prosecuted and Mr. F. P. Hett. of Messrs, Brutton and Hett, appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Goldring, stated that with regard to the cedented floods of last autumn, and the price fresh charges he wished to prefer under the Bankruptcy Ordinance, he would make the application later.

His Worship-You mean you don't want the the price. information to be sworn now? Mr. Goldring-The information has been

His Worship - Have you seen the application, Mr. Hett-I saw the application this morning.

Mr. Goldring ? Mr. Goldring-Yes, I think the best course would be to apply to the Supreme Court to file

His Worship-I don't think there is any Decessity for that. wr. Goldring-Of course, one gets very little assistance from the Crown in these cases. Moosa Ebrahim was recalled and further

evidence having been taken. His Worship held

that there was no case to send to the jury and THE ASSAULT ON ALLANA. GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION BY THE

COMPLAINANT.

Before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police Magistrate, on Friday, Alla Deen was charged in Manchuria, as these depend almost entire which are exercised in this important branch of with alleged attempted assault on B. E. Allana on the grain trade. It cannot be supposed in Wyndham Street on the 7th March Mr. W. E. L. Shenton prosecuted and Mr. P. W. Goldring appeared for the defendant,

he defendant and against Marican were not the interests of an alleged starving population feeder mains are led away into the town in all same. One was charged with conspiracy and which could have been relieved by a special

.Mr. Shenton-I am perfectly willing.

the strikers would have had a very rough to her death, which occurred after a serious are six Lancashire bollers and one water-tube bome from the Cinematograph on the night in: handling, and if they had declined to issue | illness. Defendant was out of emyloyment for | boiler. These comprised the original plant but | question in the company of two-friends, to | notes that the only diplomatic protests against | night. A man gained scess to the Captain's from their quarters these might very well have some considerable time and in June last was now the probibition were from the Pussian and cabin and on seeing a chest of drawers, broke. taken by the plaintiff as a lodger at \$50 amonth. sel oil engines renders it unnecessary to have all | ceeded before going to his own house at 43, As it happened, that part of the road which The arrangement was that the money should be the boilers in use at the same time unless un. Hollywood Road. Defendant met him in the the strikers had hit upon as their assembly paid by the plaintiff till the defendant was able foreseen and special circumstances compel it. street and struck at him with a stick, which he ground was libed with heaps of broken road- to obtain employment and that the plaintiff. The machines are designed to generate cur. | dedged and missed, and then proceeded to metal, and although this stone had not been should have the amount refunded to him as rent at pressure of 2,200 volts, alternating, run, Defendant followed, him; up to the placed there on purpose, it would be all proba- soon as the defendant obtained work. He single phase, which is afterwards transformed Dairy Farm Company's office, where witness

rou hadn't dodged?

Mr. Shenton-I object. Mr. Goldring-I beg your pardon. I am antitled to ask the question.

might incriminate my client. Allana-Am I obliged to answer the question,

your Worshin? His Worship-Yes, Mr. Goldring, you can't' ask the question

property. Were you sober?

don't know. 'v when he whistled it. I was very much fearing

and I could not see. Do you mean to tell me that the lukong ran away, with you?-No, he did not run away. Was the order of the race Allana; first, Alla Deen second and the linkong third?-I think

suppose you were frightened out of your life?-Yes, I was frightened because defendant might break my head. The Police told you that a summons would

the lukong was third.

meet the case?-Yes. And yet you had a warrant issued?-Yes, suppose the defendant ron away? You have seen many Indian watchmen in

your time ?-Yes. Does not every watchman carry a stick with whom he represented, had made contracts with him?-Never Well, I have seen many,

Mr. Shenton-Your duty is to cross-examine, not comment. Mr. Goldring-My duty is quite clear. (To witness)—Is the stick enough to break our head ?- I think so.

I don't think so. Witness (wielding the stick in the Courtroom)-You can try if you like. You are my enemy, that's why you ask me these questions, Omar Jooseb stated that he met the defendant on the day following the alleged assault. Defendant was smiling and witness inquired of the defendant what amused him. Defendant asked witness if he had not heard of the pravious night's affair and on being an swered in the pegative, related the assault. Witness asked defendant if he was not afraid to go to gaol and the latter replied that he was not and that even if he went to gaol for two years, he would stick a knife into Allana when

Further evidence having been called, the case was adjourned, bail being allowed in the sum of \$100, ...

he came out. Besides, Marican was behind

it and Marican was a big man.

CEREAL EXPORT FROM MANCHORIA.

EFFECT OF PROHIBITION. SERIOUS DISLOCATION OF TRADE IN HARBIN.

As reported in yesterday's issue, acth ult., owing to the protest filed by the Powers, the Governor-General of Heilung province, who had issued instructions probibiting the export removed the probibition as far as wheat it concerned. It appears, according to Russian papers to hand, that the Heilubg province is not the only place affected by the prohibition, which still temains in force in other provinces in North Manchuria. The prohibition has caused an l enormous dislocation of business in Harbin and the neighbourhood, and a number of firms The case was remanded, bail being allowed or agencies have had to suspend business. The matter is regarded as very serious to Kussian (interests, and the Russian journals at Harbin devote several columns to reviewing the situation. The Novaya Zhian is of opinion that the edict of prohibition in the Heilung, Bodune and other important trading centres is a direct attack on Russian interests. A joint protest signed by merchants of various nationalities in Harbin and supported by the local Chamber of Commerce elicited the explanation that the Chinese Government was much concerned at the condition of the famish ed masses in the provinces referred to, as the people had not yet recovered from the unpreof cereal products was rising daily. The object of the prohibition was to accumulate a supply at home, and thus bring about a diminution GROWTH OF THE EXPORT TRADE.

Our contemporary notes that the export cereals from Manchuria has increased remarkably of late years. Thanks to the improved railway facilities and the better organised. trade, the export of grain from Manchuria to His Worship-Is this a private prosecution, Europe rose from 3 million poods (1 pood equals 36 lbs.) in 1907 to 7 million poods in 2008 and to 15 millions in 1909-a five-fold increase in two years. But the area unde cultivation is continually being increased wit the enlarged demand, and it was expected the as much as 30 million poods, or 500,000 tons would be experted to Europe in the present year. By the prohibition, this trade is suddenly stopped, and millions of poods are lying untouched in the warehouses-not of exporters, who have not yet had need buy much of the last crop, but of small agriculturists, and peasants. Whi is to become of these enormous stock of grain? asks the journal. They were destined for the export trade, and now there will be no buyers, even at 10 kopecks (10 sen) a pood! Moreover, the probibition at a stroke means the collapse of all China's trade and industry that the Chinese Government has ignored its commercial interests and deliberately sought to destroy a foreign export trade progressing Mr. Goldring stated that the charges against by leaps and bounds every year, merely in the This action is all the more to be commended M. Reader Harris, of Messrs. Wilkinson and subsidiary lines to the different dwellings, ... His Worship-We must take the case other reason for the measure. As is known, the closing of the france porte in the Far Rast extended along the Amur border, and a heavy Mr. Skenton stated that the facts put shortly duty was placed on flour from Manchuria into gradually transferred to Russian centres in the chensk, Vladivostok, etc. This was an undesirpacific attitude that the police adopted was in to \$332. The facts of the case brir fly put were Also there are two small arc lamp sets driven borative evidence. Defendant the next day able development to the Chinese Government that the plaintiff about two years ago lived by steam, the street are lamps having to be told an independent witness what he had done | which has apparently, thinks the journal, put an effectual brake on the movement by the

In a subsequent issue the Harbin journal robbery shortly after eleven o'clock on Thursday. Ispanese Ambassadors, but the latter's was of a lopen all the drawers and rifled all their contents. lukewarm nature. Evidently, says our contem- of any value, consisting of a gold watch. porary, the Japanese, as usual, have their own four gold stude, two dress-suits, a meersmethods of finding a way out of the difficulty, chuam pipe, a pair of ship's bipoculars, so that the whole effect of the prohibition falls a case of rezors and \$2.30 in money. on North Manchuria, within the sphere of the ! The thief made, the articles into the Chinese Eastern Railway. A number of foreign I bundle, and was about to escape through a fitms have closed down; and already two very | port-hole when he was copped by the ship's the workers who bed incurred their displea. Evidence having been called, judgment was I converted to direct current at 200 volts, for the his assistance. dated their affairm. The cereal export trede | manthe hard labour

Mr. Shenton-What would have happened if had attracted the attention of several large firms in Europe and America and offices had Aliana-He would have broken my head at | been established in Harbin by representatives of London, Hamburg, and other houses. Har-Mr. Goldring-You have admitted commit- | bin had thus a brilliant future, which is now to be reduced to nought by the Chinese Government edict. [This was of course written before the removal of the prohibition in Heilung province was announced, and it may be hoped Mr. Shenton-I object to any question which | that the other provinces will be treated similarly before long.—ED. J.C.]

MEETING OF PROTEST.

On the with instant, a crowded meeting of protest against the prohibition of cereals was Mr. Goldring-Never mind, it's common | held at the Harbin Chamber of Commerce, In order to farnish an idea of the difficulties in-Allana-Yes, I was sober, I don't drink now. volved by the prohibitive measure, we sum-Where did the defendant come from?-I marise briefly the lengthy account of the proceedings appearing in the Novaya Zhisa, From front or behind?-I don't know from Among those present were representatives of foreign exporters, milling interests, members When did you see the lukong? -I saw him of the Chamber, representatives of the Chinese Eastern Railway, and others.

The Chairman, M. Fried, president of the Chamber of Commerce, explained the object of the meeting. He said that the probibition had been spring up in them unexpectedly, dospite the existence of a treaty between Great Britain and Chi a under which the latter promised to give as days' notice before prohibiting the export of grain abroad in the event of the danger of famine arising among the people.

M. Hermont, in the name of the exporters. stated that a large quantity of grain already purchased still lay stored at the places of production, from which it could not now be removed. Messrs. MacGregor & Co., the firm Chinese producers and had paid for all the grain contracted for, which now lay in the forbidden areas. All contracts between Chinese and Europeans would be broken by the prohibition. The Chinese authorities had no right to forbid the export of grain which really

belonged to Europeans. The representative of another British firm, Messrs. Craig & Co., cited an example from India, where on the occasion of a prohibition of export the Government allowed a period of grace to the exporters to remove rice already

purchased. After some discussion a telegram was read from the Russian Consul at Mukden to the effect that the prohibition had been placed on another district, that of Kwan-chen-tse. By this, appounced the chairman, nearly all the Manchurian provinces were now under the prohibition. A suggestion was made regarding the possibility of bringing a judicial action against the Chinese Government for breach of treaty, or egainst the Chinese producers for breach of contract.

M. Richter said that the Chamber would have to prove that there was no famine among the people in Manchuria.

M. Daniel said that in the official proclamations issued by the Chinese Government in Bodune there was not a word about famine. only the increased price being mentioned. On the contrary, the harvest was well up to the

The Chairman denied that the price had risen. Last year the price had gone up to 8; konecks, and there was no mention of any

hardship among the people then. A motion to elect a committee to investigate. the actual conditions over an extended period was selected and after some further discussion a resolution was passed for presentation to the Russian Minister of Finance, Trade and Industry, and Foreign Affairs, in the form of a telegram, which was read by the Chairman. The telegram was in substance to the effect that the Chinese authorities had, on the opening of the Chinese New Year, without any warning probibited the export of grain from Bodune, which was followed by the closing of the Mukden and Tsitsibar provinces, Russian grain merchants had sustained serious losses, owing to the impossibility of purchasing or receiving purchased grain, The Harbin milling industry was being left without wheat, and the citizens of Harbin and the people in the whole foreign zone were threatened with a deprivation of flour. The extraordinarily snowy winter had impeded the usual movement of grain, and about two months' supply remained in the warehouses in the forbidden areas. The prohibition was involving the collapse of the principal trade. raining the Russians, and reducing the railway to loactivity. The telegram notes that immed istely on the declaration of the prohibition all delivery of wheat to the railway stations was stopped. All the foreign Consuls could testify that there was no famine in Manchuria. concludes the telegram. Chica is, found to be justified in her action, then measures must be taken to allow those traders who have suffered to recoup themselves.

After the reading of this telegram the meeting

COMMENT OF A RUSSIAN JOURNAL. In the course of a leading article in its 'issue I the 17th ultimo, our contemporary remarks that the Chinese population does not lose by the export of cereals, as they receive in exchange foreign goods, so that on the success of the export depends the expansion of European products on the Manchurian market. The mports of such goods into Manchuria have progressed parallel with the growth of the export trade. For example, in 1908 Russian imports into Manchuria were valued at 17,200 ood roubles, which incressed in 1909 to 20 millions. Thus the commercial interests o foreigners in Manchuria are closely bound up with the conditions of the cereal trade..

According to the Barbin journal, when the prohibition was declared in Bodune, both on beans and cereals. Chinese patrols were stav tioped on all the souds leading to the railway to prevent any infringement. The stationmaster at Tao Lai-chao, on the Chinese Kastern Railway, received an official notice that if the station was, not cleared of grain within two days, a half of what remained would be confiscated. A company of troops was posted by the station to enforce the notice. From sundry other facts connected with the prohibition, our contemporary draws the conclusion that Caina is taking revenge on Russia for the closing of the porto franco by the latter and her refusal of the American proposal for the neutralisation of the railways in Manchuria, -- Idoan Caronfole.

A VLADIVOSTOK message to the Asahi reports that the Russian pavy has ordered the construction of two submarine boats, each of soo tons, from the Baltic shipbuilding yard. The price of the vessels will be 1,500,000 totales

THE s.s. Chousene was the scene of a daring

COMMERCIAL.

TO DAY'S RUDBER QUOTATIONS.

reth Match. In future, quotations, for rubber shares, as amplied by Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie & Co., will be printed in a detached form and not appear in the daily tabulated abare list as heretofore." Ouotations received by telegram to-day are as

Apglo-Malays.....31/0 Balgownies\$170 Carey Uniteds21/6 prem. buyers Changkat Serdangs \$20 Eastern Internationals...30/2 prem b Golcondas126/-Highlands and Lowlands127/6 Indragiris\$45 Ledburya95/-Linggis 400.47/3 London Asiatics 198/- buyers. Pegohs543 Rubber Trusts42/9 prem. ex n. f. Sekongs'18/6 prem. Shelfords 65/2 United Serdangs 125/- sales

THE LATEST OUTPUTS.

United Sumatras 14/6

The Pinang Gazette voices complaints of the shortage of labour on a number of estates and urges more energetic recruiting. That journal. adds that probably a land assessment tax will be raised.

SINGAPORE PARA. The agents (Messrs, Bobs, Meyer and Co Ltd.) advise that the total output for February amounts to 4,300 lbs. dry rubber, thus making a total output for the first to months of 43,725 ibs. dry rubber.

LINGGI PLANTATIONS Mesers. Guthrie & Con the agents, report that the output of dry rubber from the company's estates during February was 57,500 Written off for deprebe, making the total for the first two months of this year 115,500 lbs. The figures for the corresponding periods of last year were: February 32,000 lbs., 1st two months 67,000 bls.

Mesers Guthrie & Co., the agents, state that the Feb. crop from Labu Estate, of dry rubber was 9,344 lbs, making the total for the first two months of this year 27,207 lbs. The figures for the corresponding periods of last year were :--February 2,306 lbs. 1st 2 months 4,980 lbs.

FEBRUARY OUTPUT.

Messrs. Detrick & Co., agents, report the following outlarns of dry rubber.

BALGOWNIE.

Massrs, Gunn & Co., agents, report rubber crop harvested during the month 7,596 lbs. dry estim,: Corresponding month last year, 3,568 lbs, dry; Total for corresponding period last year 1909-10 35,346 lbs. dry.

KAMUNING. Messrs. Guthrin and Company inform us that the return of dry rubber on the above estate for

February was 5,609 pounds compared with 6,400 for January, the total for saven months being 37,571. Kuala Lumpur Mar. 3.

| 4.7 | The following returns are publis | hed. |
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| | Malacca Plantations | 27,000. |
| ,1 | Sungei Salek | 1,500, |
| | Rubben Growers' Association | 2,324. |
| " . | Anglo-Malay | 49;718. |
| 2 | London Asiatic | 7,555. |
| | Pataling | 23,542. |
| | Golden Hope | 3,748. |
| - | Solada | 2,500. |
| | Ribo | 4.314 |
| | The February rubber crops are Caledonia Tali Ayer | ng Mar. 3. |
| • | The February rubber crops are | as follows: |
| | Caledonia | 24,760. |
| | Tall Ayer | 9,600, |
| | Rubana | 9,870. |
| | Nova Scotia | 4,900. |

Pennng, March 3. London cables say that the Cicely Company pays an interim dividend on ordinary shares of 25 per cent and on the preference of 262.

Gedong 7,500.

Messrs F. W. Barker and Company the agents for the undermentioned Rubber Companies send us the following Feb. returns. Senawang 4,279, last year 99".

Ledbury 8,020 last year 4,750, two months 1910, 16,068, last year. 7,577. Landron 20,558, last year 19,700, two months

1910, 49,215, last year 35,300. Singapore and Johore 6,256, last year 1,086. two months 14,522, last year 1,933. Sandycroft.6,431, last year 3,832.

Highlands and Lowands output 40,734, " Pajam, Ltd. for the month of February 1,350

month of February, 2,500 lbs, total for 8 months -of 13,255 lbs, against the corresponding periods of last year, 140 lbs. and 770 lbs. respectively. Messrs. Guthrie and Co. (agents) notify us of the following February output:--Banteng 1,259. Total for 10 months 9,232.

another plotation, Kuala Lumpur, March 4... it is understood that applications for shares

already, exceed the number available. TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE. Rolling.

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| | Singapore-Bank T.T. per H.K. \$10074 | |
| *! | Japan-Bank T.T. | |
| | Java-Bank T.T. | |
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GBO. FENWICK AND COMPANY LIMIABD.

ANNUALUREPORTELIE

The report for 1900 states; The directors beg to submit their report and statement o accounts for the year ending aut Dacomber

The result of the year's work shows at increase of \$1.038.52 on the amount of the debit balance brought forward from last year, making the balance at debit of profit and loss account \$8.460.44. ...

DIRECTORS. During the absence from the Colony of Mr. A. Rodger, his sest on the Board was occupied by Mr. J. Rodger, Mr. A. Rodger resuming his place on his return. He now retires according to the articles of association, but offers himself for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. H Percy Smith, who offers himself for re-election G. K. HAXTON.

Chairman. Hongkong, 10th March, 1910. BALANCE SHEET, 31ST DECEMBER, 1909.

Capital: 18.000 shares of \$25.00 10,800 shares issued and fully paid..... \$170,000.00 Reserve fund as per last Less depreciation of plant, stock, interest

and expenses on North Point 17.710.89 Hongkong and Shaughai Banking Corporation loan account (secured by mortgages) 137,642.40 he was arrested in the act of leaving the Colony. Hongkong and Shangbai Banking

Sundry creditors \$448,125.47

Value of land and buildings at Wanchai and North Point as per Value of machinery, plant, launches and office furniture as per last Additions during the year | 675.87

558,675.87 ciation 1,675,87 \$7,000.00 Value of stock in trade as

per valuer's certificate 71,049,39,39 Written off for depreciation 5,049.29 66,000,00 Value of work in progress, as per valuer's Certificate Cash on hand...... Mercantile Bank of India, Limited Investments. Sunday debtors..... Balance of profit and loss account as at gist

December, 1908..... 7,421.92 Loss for the year 1909 ... 1,038.52

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. To Balance of last year's account ... \$ 7,421.92 A CONSIGNMENT of silk which arrived.

By Balance of working account...... \$ 21,866.43 from Japan. The freight beats the mails from By Transfer fees By Bonus from Insurance Company By Dividend on Investments

By Interesting by Balance.....

LOCAL AND GENERAL. H.M.S. Higar, arrived on Wednesday after-

noon from home. THE German Mail of the 9th February has

been delivered in London. TELEGRAMS from Secul state that the Japanese

garrison in Korea will shouly be increased. THE probibition against grain exportation has been extended practically over the whole of

Manchuria.

A visit to the Tenom Borneo Rubber Co. Retate at Menggatal is extremely interesting. observes the B. N. B. Berald ... They have 500 acres planted and all the trees are looking very mall for their age. The company is increasing the acreage and by the steamer Maruda bne hundred Chinese coolies are coming to open up on a large scale.

Or the Java ports, cholera rages the worst at Bukit, Linting Rubber Estate Ltd. for the Samprang where the disease has taken a most malignant form, the death rate at one time amounting to over 70 per cent of the patients. The Batavia Nieuws van Den Dog remarks that this is not surprising, considering that Samarang is a most unhealthy spot, the drinking water being especially of bad quality.

THE Hon. C. H. Strutt, chairman of the New London Borneo Rubber Co. and Sapong Though the prospectus of Towkay Loke Rubber and Tobacco Co., and Mr. F. W. Yew's Serendah estate has not yet been issued Barker, managing director of the Lanadron Rubber Estates Ltd. bave graturaed from North Bornes where they have been to see what is being done to the way of rubber planting and to judge the prospects of various companies.

THE finances of Indo-China are so embarrassed that the colony can scarcely pay its way, Interest on a public works loan of 280 million france, and military outlay account for twelve millions of the 33 millions dollars stand this year for the colonial revenue. The Baigon Opinion hears there is a prospect of a fresh public works loan to the amount of 150 millions

THE following telegraphic information has been received from the Sumatra Director and Manager of the Maatschappii tot Mila-Bosch-en Landbouwer-ploitatio in Langkat, Ld. :--

Crude Petroleum in Tanks at date 300,000

i Kerosana made since the date of the Kernsens shipped since the date of the !!!

THE French mail of the 1st February was delivered in Lendone

S.S. Lalegue Afrived, in portion Wednesdes from Singapore with 1,055 Chinase passengers THE English mail of the 5th February was delivered in London on the oth instant

A MAM was awarded-six months' hard labous and four hours' stocks at the Magistracy on Tuesday for returning from banishment.

Fifiy-two dollars was the penalty inflicted on a Chinaman in the Police Court on Tuesday for being in unlawful possession of a quantity

just ratifed after forty-five years service as Great Northern guard, has travelled fully 6,000,000 miles during the course of his career. IT is proposed that Kelantan should, have. stamp bearing a design representing a palace

resting on two crossed krises. Such a design

IT is calculated that Mr. G. Hatcher, who has

has been submitted to the High Commissioner for approval. A.CHIMAMAN was charged before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police Magistrate, on Thursday, tensive scale. for harbouring a Chinese martled woman. The case was remanded, pending inquiries by the

Registiar-General, THEY have rain also in Sarawak. On Feb. 3rd in twenty-four hours there fell 10.09 inches jof. rain, of which six inches fell in five hours. This is not a record. On Feb. 8th, 1902, 10.36. for the appointment of Mr. Marcus Warre inches fell in twenty-four hours.

A CHINESE was awarded six weeks hard labour at the Magistracy on Thursday for stealarticles were traced to the s.s. Sui Tai, where

Corporation current account ... 3.57.0.10. THE crime of kidnapping is still in the ascondent. On Thursday a man was charged before Mr. H. R. Hallifax with kidnapping Chinese girl fifteen years of age from th custody of her lawful guardian. The man was ramanded.

> A CHINAMAN was on Thursday awarded seven days' bard labour for stealing a jacket which had been kept to dry on the hillside at the Peak The man was formerly a chair coolie in Major Eston's employ and has lately been unom-

AT the approaching annual meeting of share holders of the Chartered Bank of India, Aus tralia and Chioa, the directors will recommend a dividend at the rate of 15% per annum (making 14% for the year) adding £25,000 to reserve fund (raising it to £1,600,000) and carrying forward £124,168.

A CHINESE girl aged thirteen years appeared before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police Magistrate, on Thursday charged with stealing gold hair ornament valued at \$58. In connection with the same care, a woman was also charged with (1) being accessory before the fact and (s) receiving the stolen property. T case was remanded?

THE Government of South-East Dutch Borner has ordered 250,000 guilders' worth of Heven sands from the Highlands and Lowlands company by telegram to Singapore. They are in lended for distribution among native cultiva tors who, at the prompting of Government, are taking, to rubber-growing in hundreds. T land there is said to be highly suitable for the line of cultivation.

To Salaries II,590,00 | Tacoma a wenk ago Sunday was sent East To Crown rent and taxes 1,264 to | over the Chicago Milwaukes & Puget Sound To Amount of bad debts written off... 130.85 Rallway and the old St. Paul Line to Chicago and thence to New-York arriving in Jersey-City. \$ 20,406.97 in 2 hours less than 5 days. The silk got here. before the bill of lading which came by mail on the same ateamer which brought the silk coast to coast .- New York Times.

> THE Government in Deli has notified its intention of forbidding, from January 1, 1911, tha importation of cattle from foreign Asiatic countrice. The only exception applies to importacattle spreading infectious diseases. Twelve March, 1910 :months are given to allow those, interested to get a supply of draught cattle, and to devise means for raising stock.

THE following notification appears in the Govcomment Gazette:-" As the great bulkiness of the bound volume of the Garetie for each year renders it awkward as a volume of reference. only such items as are of permanent interest are included in the Gazette proper. All ephemsbills before Council, notices to mariners, legal in a separate supplement."

THE reason of the irregularity fin telegrams. through Slam of late, is accounted for by the fact that, many inhabitants are in the habit of cutting off pieces of wire to mend their bullockcarts, ploughs, etc. : One Government servant who has been mending wires in the interior states that this is an abuse which is growing and that many natives seem to take a wanton pleasure in breaking down wires for the pure mischievousness of the things

An interesting experiment with Indian coal is going on in the Java Government railways. The article has the advantage of cheapness over the coal from the Government mine at Ombilien in West Sumatra. Locomotivas were supplied with fuel consisting of one part Indian and two parts Ombilien coal. So far, the mixture did well, and eventually success menus a great saving to the Government . The Sumatra coal laid down at Sourabaya costs 14 to 15 guilders a ton, but Indian coal can be supplied at 40.50 guilders a ton.

M. Klobukowski, the Governor-General of French Indo-China, has arrived in France. section of the local Press owing to his decision an exact statement of the situation before the Minister for the Colonies. As to the rebel Dé Tham, since the submission of his lieutedant. Ca Rinh, he has virtually no power to do any harm, and no attack on his part is reported. Very probably wounded, he has taken ruluge in the jungle, i

NEW regulations under the Opium Ordinanc. are published in the current issue of th

-ARCHDEACON E. I: Barnett has been appointed -a-Justice-of the Peace for the Colony, with effect from the 28th January, 1910.

ONE week's hard labour was given a man at the Magistracy on Monday morning for stealing some kerosine in Des Vœux Road Central. THE foundation stone of the Hongkong Uni-

versity Building will be laid by His Excellency the Governor on Wednesday, 16th Inst., a THIRTEEN gamblers appeared before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police Magistrate, on Mon-

Sto and the rest Sa each. DR. J. Bell will act as Principal Civil Medical Officer during the absence on leave of the Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, or until further notice, with effect from the 1st last.

day morning. Two of the man were each fined

IT is reported that the Ilchinhoi, the pro Japanese society, has, decided to revive th amalgamation movement in Korea on an ex-

SIR George Philippo, who for the last 12 years has been British Consul at Geneva, has retired Sir George formerly served as Judge at Hongkong and in the Straits Settlements.

THE King has been pleased to give directions

Slade, barrister-at-law, to be one of His Majesty's Counsel for the Colony of Hongkong. THE Directors of the Shanghai and Hongkew

meeting to be held on the 15th inst, the pay-

ment of a final dividend of Tls. 4 per share for

the year 1909. THE cargo of silk shipped on board the s. Nera which left this port on the 1st February was delivered in Lyons on the 7th instant The cause of the delay was the floods in

Carlos de Sostao, Consul for Spain at Shanghai, has been created by King Alphonso of Spain a Chevaller of the Royal Order of Isabel la Catolica, as a mark of special appreciation of services rendered.

MR. W. Greenbill, a director of Inch Kenneth Rubber Estates, Limited, arrived at Singapore by the Macedonia on the 23rd ult., on visit to the F.M.S., and is now visiting the Company's estates at Kajang.

FOR returning from banishment, a man wa awarded six months hard labour and six hours stocks at the Magistracy on Monday morning. A widow was given three months' hard labour for a similar offence.....

THE Censors are attempting to obtain informs tion in regard, to high officials in the Yunna Kweichow, Hunan, Hupeh, Honan, Shau Shensi and Kantu provinces who may smoke opium, in order to impeach them severely for their vices.

FROM Baigon comes news of a destructive fire which broke out in a piegogoods stop on February 15, and caught some other shops, took three hours for the engines to master the flames. The damage, estimated at over \$140,000. is nearly all covered by insurance.

IT is reported by the Police that a Chinaman Court as soon as he has recovered.

Wadnesday prosecuted two seamen belonging to the s.s. Tibodas for the alleged their of two anchors and two langths of cables from the ship. A. marine store dealer was also charged with receiving the stolen property and all the defendants were remanded.

tions for breeding purposes. The reason for REZURN of visitors to the City Hall Library the probibition lies in the danger of imported and Museum for the weak ending the off

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North China, His Majesty's. Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the insignla of the ral notifications such as calls for tenders, draft Third Class of the Royal Order of the Crown, conferred upon him by the German Emperor, notices and advertisements, &c., are included in recognition of valued services rendered by

MASS meeting of Malays was held on the Raffies Reclamation, Singapore, on 27th ult., to intention of joining the corps.

The offspring consisted of two girls and one Two of the babies, a boy and a girl. were joined together at the hips by a cartilage. of flesh. They died shortly after birth, and the mother also died a few hours after. The ng streams by means of improvised bridges. only survivor is the single baby of the triplets.

Capital and Commerce is the title of a new weekly journal, published at Shanghal, whose name clearly denotes the purpose of its promotors. We have received the first two numbers, | pective Banks. but it is evident that the journal has not yet got into its stride. Nevertheless, there is ample He declared to Press representatives that hav- scope for such a weekly in the Far East where ing been the object of the attacks, of a certain capital and commerce are the main stimulants and distractions of life and it only remains for to suppress the alcohol monopoly, he would lay the editorial staff to, allow the high standard which it has set itself to make the journal an assured success. We anticipate a future replate with promise and usefulness for Gabital and Commerce, which is printed in handy form at the office of the Shanghai News,

THE death occurred on February 24, at 211 he picked up two Chinese, at 12.45 noon, on charged (4) with assaulting the compradors of Binff, Yokohama, of Mr. Henry MacArthur, the 25th ult, on the Bay of Bengal, the exact the a.s. Skin On on the 26th February last and aged sixty-five, whose life has been largely position Lat. 6. 8. North, Long, 91, 21 East. (2):disorderly behaviour. Four of the defendidentified with that of the business community It appears that on the 20th day of the twelfth (?) and were convicted on both charges and fixed of Yokohama, The Japan Gazette states that moon they left in a lighter with provisions for \$20 nach or fourteen days while one of the de-Mr. MacArthur came to Japan in the early the Chinese New Year from Kopah to Renong, fondants was discharged. Mr. E. J. Grist seventles to join the firm of Hudson, Malcomb | both in Siamese territory: After two days' prosecuted and Mr. E. Davidson appeared for & Co. Subsequently he set up for himself, and sail they dropped anchor near an island and one of the defendants, .. The trouble seems to callen, 28th January Alcider Nove. 1st Feb. did business under the firm name of H. retired to rest. The first thing that they came have been caused by the vessel going aground that Hirane, Mary, Pette, Silving ath Hebert MacArthur & Co, as stevedores, shipping and to know was that the vessel's anchor had at Cap-sul-mup, whereupon the five passengers | rharr-Ching Wo, Ghosse, Gordon, Relymentership forwarding agents. He was fond of study and dropped off. She was drifting | subsequently approached the skipper and demanded to bepreceding balf-monthly telegram .. Ep. 200 music and socially lived very quietly, his life she sprang a leak. For twenty-five days ac- sent over to Hongkong or board a steam-launch, latterly having been necessarily retired owing cording to the two men stuck to the but as this would have antailed considerable preceding by itemopthly telegram ... \$2,000 -to health conditions. .. Mr. Magarithe, was preceding terribly until they were picked expense to the Company, the Captain naturally Conton. Designations of Bellevel of Conton. to with their belonging,

A NUMBER of truck-coolies were fined St.each at the Magistracy on Tuesday for obstruction the traffic in Market Street. Sergeant Garrod prosecuted ...

THE Directors of the Senawang Rubber Estates Co., Ld., announce that the output of dry rubber from the Sonawang estates for the month of February was 4,370 lb.

THE report of a Chinese outbreak throughout the district of Tsitshar is causing excitemen at Harblu. It is stated that the trouble is due to the enforcement of conscription in Man-

PRESIDENT Liang Tun-yen of the Walware has recommended H.E. Tang Shao-yl as being versed in foreign affairs and familiar wit conditions in Tibet, and suggests his appointment as Commissioner to Tibet.

THE directors of the Shanghai Gas Company. Ld, will recommend, at the annual genera meeting of shareholders to be held on the 23rd instant, the payment of a final dividend of Tis. 3.30 per share, making 13% for the year 1909.

THE Nippon Yusen Kaisha propose, to contruct four new steamers. . Two of the vessels 8,500 and 10,000 tons, are to be placed on the European line, and the two others, of 8,000 and 0,000 tons respectively, on the American line of the company.

THE flying week at Saigon seems to be getting out of reach. The promoters opened negotiations with avietors in France to bring out their machines. The aviators demanded such exorbitant terms that there is every chance of the scheme falling through.

As an instance of the violent fluctuations of tary knowledge. In the Russo-Japanese WALC the rubber share market at the present time, he took an active part as the chief of an artilsays the Malay Mail, it is interesting to note lary corps of the Second Army under coming seven pieces of clothing. The missing Wharf Co. Ltd., will recommend at the annual, that a firm of brokers in Kuala Lumpur re- mand of General Oku. At the end of the warm colved from London four different quotations for Highlands and Lowlands on Saturday...

> THE Iloilo Enterprise is responsible for the statement that there is a persistent rumour in Hoilo that two of the principal Chinese business houses in Iloilo have combined to effect a monopoly of the rice business in that region. The price of rice has already gone up 35 Contavos per cavan,

> H.E. Hal Liang, Viceroy of Mauchuria, has notified the foreign Consuls that the export of cereals, exclusive of beans, would be prohibiteda month hence from the districts of Fenghuangcheng and Heiking. He stated that the embargo might be extended throughout the district of Mukden.

Sir Claude MacDonald, who is now travelling and these tins were hidden, mainly, in two big in Formosa, left Taipeh on February 24 for Taipan by train. Sir Claude (says the Japan. Chronicle of February 27) will spend a few days | makes an Important seizure. The ting were. in Tainan, visiting various places in the neighbourhood. On returning to Taipen he will visit the aborigines district of Kakuhan bill.

A List of lighthouses, light vessels, buoys and beacons on the coast and rivers of China corrected to December 1, 1909, has been issued by the Imperial Maritime Customs. The volume includes charts of the China coast showing position of lights and limits of Customs districts, and showing position and kind of lights.

His Excellency the Governor has established the godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, situate at Kowloon, as a bonded warehouse for the use of dealers in morphine and compounds of onium imported for exportation and not for use or sale in the Colony, from the set day of March, 1910.

while leaving a certain house in Des Voeux | Mr. James Mitchell, of the Lanadron Rubber Road after stealing some clothing fell down and | Estates Company, has been appointed adviser burt himself. The man is at present in hos- to several other companies, at a combined pital, but will grace the dock in the Police salary of £1,000. Seven years ago, says the -L. and C. Express, Mr. Mitchell, who is now. in his 26th year, was a wonver in a Burnley INSPECTOR Langley, of the Water Police, on cotton mill. He became a student of the Corporation Evening Classes, won a scholarship for geology, proceeded to South Kensington, and finished his career thereby winning a first-class associateship and the Forbes medal. In 1908, he was appointed by the Lanadron Company to investigate rubber pests and diseases. His success has now been recognised by the above further appointment.

THE first of a series of lectures on Hongkons will be given on Thursday, at 8 p.m. at the Chiness Y.M.C.A. Dr. A. Gibson has kindly consented to lecture on "The Markets and Slaughter Houses of the Colony." Slides will be shown illustrating the lecture and several matters of interest pertaining to the Slaughter THE King has granted John Edward Foley. Houses will be explained. The second num-Esq. Manager of the Imperial Railways of bar of the series will be given by Lieut. Beckwith, R.N., on "The Harbour of Hongkong. Herbour Stations and Waters of the Colony. and the third by Mr. Jackman on "The Water Supply of the Colony, Its History and Present Works." The chair this evening will be taken by Dr. Wan Man Kai and the interpreter, Dr. Lau Lai.

AMONGST freedot presentations to the Royal consider the formation of a Malay company of Geographical Society are 106 photographs of Volunteers... Capt. Ewart and Messre. Colman | Chekiang, China, taken by Major H. R. Davies, and Farrer were present. Mr. Hashim read a Oxfordshire Light Infantry. Major Davies has translation of the rules governing the local stready presented many photographs taken by Volunteer Corps, Over ninety signified their bim during his extensive travels in China to the Society. Those comprising the present sat are of the east coast province of Chekiang A SIAMESE woman living at San San, near and are carefully arranged, and described in an Klong Toi, gave birth to triplets three days album. Another presentation is 39 photographs ago, says, the Bangkok Dasly Mail of 17th ult. of Hunza and Chinese Turkestan taken by Capt. A. R. B. Shuttleworth, I.A. Among this set are some good views of glacier, and mountain scenery, but perhaps the most interesting are those showing methods of travel and cross-

> RETURN of the average amount of Bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 28th February. 1910, as certified by the managers of the res-

Amount Reserve. Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China ... 4,910,803 Hongkong and Shanghal Banking Corporation 14,170,593 13,000,020 National Bank of China Limited

THE master of the Italian steamer Copri, which | Five men appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood, arrived in Penang from Bombay, reported that | Second Police Magistrate this morning. I refused beson the disturbance.

COL Climo, of the R.G.A., left on last SaturiAX by the s.s. Dolla, for hame, Officers of different Regiments went on board to bid him son voyage. The pipers of the H.K.S.B. R.G.A. were also present at the P. and O. what!

Ir is stated, says the Gine. Zimes, that Mr., J. O. P. Bland does not intend to return to China but will in all probability devote his undoubted journalistic abilitles to enlightening the homefolk upon Chinese affairs, in the columns of a well known London journal.

MR. Somerset Playne, -who is well-known in it Hongkong and who recently parted company with Mr. Reginald Lloyd and Lloyd's Greater Britain Publishing Co., which brought out the Twentieth Century Impressions of Malaya, has written a book dealing with the history, people, commerce, Industries and resources of British East Africa.

SMUGGLING .. from : shipboard .. has .. so much increased at Batavia that the authorities have had to take special measures against it. The head inspector of the import and export duties department has pointed out that one effective way to baulk the smugglers is to build a wall round the custom house at Tanjong Priok the landing place there, at an outley of 100,000

THE death is announced, on February 25, of Lieut. General Salsho, Commander of Port Arthur Fort. Born in Kagoshima, the deceased soldier-entered the Japanese army in his young days, took part in the Chino-Japanese war and distinguished himself in the slege of Port Arthur, as the chief of the heavy, artillery. Subsequently be travelled through England, France and Germany, adding to his millhe was appointed Commander of Hiroshima I and in 1907 was transferred to the command at Port Arthur which post he ratained to the time of his death. General Salaho was re fifty-five years old.

THE Preventive Staff of the Government Monopolies, which is under the direction of Mr. Howard, made an important selaure of illicit chandu yesterday afternoon, reports the Singapore Free Press of grd inst. The s.s. Hong Wan I, had arrived from Amoy and -Swatow_on ber_voyage_here,and to Penang. and the officers boarded the ship and after considerable search discovered in two places in the bunkers large collections of chandu. The illicit article was packed in five and ten tahil tips in some cases with a firm's chop on them, lots under the coal. The total amount discovered was about five hundred tahils, and wrapped up in flour sacks and it is thought, from some circumstances, may have been intended for Penang.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitais begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the hospitals :-

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| Sucking Pigs, To Order-Chu Chal | 3 | Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld | 60,000 | 855 | See | Cere 2023 | | | | |
| Suet Beef-Sang Ngan Yan | VEGETABLES, &c. Anichokes, Shanghal,—Sheung Hol Ah | | 1 1 1 3 | Ss | | \$26,806 \$40,000 \$88,442 | 520,108 | | 2. 3.1.2 | S62 buyers |
| Veal-Ngau Chai Yuk | Chi Chauk | 7 Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ld. | 55,700 | Tis. 100 | 550. Tis. 100 | \$221,000 | 5139,765. | Interim of Sta for account 1909 | | S66 sellers |
| " Sansages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong. " | Beans, (French) Macao-Oh Moon Pin | Shanghal and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited | | Tis. Too | 2 | Tis. 697,257 | Tis, 6,261 | my the min describing Tile to for 1008 | | Tis. 83 buyer |
| POULTRY. | Beans, (French), Shanghal-Shoung Hol | 8 | | , | | [Is zation] | | Pint of Yes, o threately yes, to to the | | Tis, 127 sales |
| Chicken—Kai Chai | Beans, Sprout—Ah Chol | LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS. | | #1a in a | Tie roo | Tie er oos | Tip 4 | Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2.09 | 5 1 % | Tis.,ro2 sellers |
| Capons, Larga, Small-Sin Kai n | Bent Root—Hung Choi Tau each Brinjals, Green—Cheng Yuen Ker | Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ld 4 Central Stores, Limited | 40.000 | Tis. 2 i | Tin. 100 | Tis, 15,000 \$1,000 \$648,975 } | Tir. 4,134 \$24,641 | \$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new it | sac. | \$16 bayers |
| Dover-Pan Kan | Bdnjals, Red—Hang Kor | Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited | \$0,000 f | 51 3 | \$25 \$1.0 | \$14,088 5 | \$19,272 \$27,972 | new shares for account 1909 | | \$385 sales |
| Fowls, Ganton—Kai | Cabbage, Chineso, com.—Kai Choy, Cabbage, Red—Kai Lan Taueach | Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited | 1.4 - | St. | 210 | 25,050 | \$5,471 | | . 17 | 574 buyers 5274 buyers |
| Hainan-Hoi Nam Kai | Osbbage, (Shanghai)—Yah Chol ,, Cana Shoots, bunch—Kan Shun ,, | 7 Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited 3 Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited | 78,000 | \$50 Tis. 50 | Tis, 50 | 5774 E1588,0457 | Tla, 242,404 | | | T1s, 106 s. |
| Geess, Wild Shanghal—Sheung Hol Ya | Canilflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi Fa | West Point Building Company, Limited | 12,500 | \$50 | Sço | L Tin Boolooo | \$1,958 | MI I of the Que for account 1000 | The second second | 542} sellers |
| Ngopair | — Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh Chol-is | COTTON MILLS. | , , , | | | | The state of | | | |
| Musk Deer-Wong Kengeach | Gauliflower, Small size—Sal Yeh Chol-fa | Hwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ld Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing | 15,000 | Tls. 50 | Tia, 5 | L Tree Hologo 3 | 1 101 201991 | an annie for many and ing 21.7.08 | 100 | Só sellers |
| Partridge-Ghe Khoo | 65 Calery, Chinese-Tong Kan Choy | Company, Limited | 10,000 | Tls. 75 | Tis. 75 | 12, 175,000 | 39.55; Tie, 8,27 | The state was ending to 0.000 | | Tis. 66 sellers |
| Pheasant—Shan Kal | 35 Colory, White-Pak Young Kan Chol | Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld Sey Chee Octtoe Spinning Company, Limited | 8,000 2,000 | Tis. so Tis. 50 | o Tir. 20: | none Tis. 31,172 | Tie, 4,82 | Tis, 6 for 1909 | ************************************** | Tis. 75 sollers ; Tis. 180 |
| Quali-Um-Ghun | 30 Chilles, Dried-Con Lat Chiu | 30 MISCELLANEOUS. | | | | | Tls. 15,91 | | is and an artists | |
| Rice Birds—Wo Fa Chenkdozen | Green-Cheng Lat Chiu | Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited | 1 00.000 | 12/6 | 12/6 | £1,500 \$40,000 | L64 | 8 St. 20 for 1008 | | Sto |
| Zurkeys, Cock-Fo Kai Kung per B | 25 Cucumbers—Chang Kwa | China-Borneo Company, Limited | 50,000 | \$10 \$10 | Sio Si | The state of the s | Ni) \$61,13 | and a series for many and add all a all | | Sto buyers S6) sellers |
| Wild Ducks, Shanghal, Sui-appair | Ginger, young-Sun Tax Koung | B China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ld. | 125,000 | | | \$100,700 \$1,000 | 53,40 | Bo cents for 19:9 | 81 2 | \$81 sellers |
| Teal, Shanghal, Sul Ap Chal | 65 old—Lo Koung | Dalry Farm Company, Limited | 400,000 | \$10 | 4 | \$1,000 513,000 | 51,89 | Interim of 35 cents for account 1909 | 10 Z | Sző salos Szé sellers |
| Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sul Apper pair 1 | Lettuce—Young Sang Oholpiece | - H. Price & Company, Limited | 12 000 | \$10 | Sto | \$5,000 | \$67 | 8 cents for year ending 31.12.05 | 8 2 | 518 |
| | Water Chesnuts—Ma Tal | 6 Hongkong Electric Company, Limited | 5,000 | \$25 | - 2 | 20000 | \$519 \$761 | | to 2 | S157 ox div. |
| PISH. | Mush MelonSang Oho Kho | Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ld Maatschappij tot Mijn., Bosch- en Landbouwex | 50,000 | 210 | \$10 Gs. 10 | \$20,000 | \$870 | Final of \$1 making in all \$2 for 1909 | Bi X | Sall sellers Tis, 1,085 s. |
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| Bream—Bin Yu | Shai-Shaung Hoi Chung Tau | Philippine Company, Limited | | | \$20 | DODE | Ps18,640 | I To be being strates for Aper provide Souther | | Szo buyers |
| Barn-Li Yu | Okroes-Me Ker | Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited | 30,000 | Tis. 20 | Tis, 20 | 75,000 | Tla. 5,25 | Final Tie, 5 making Tis. 8 for 1908 | 41 2 | Tle. 257h e. |
| TELEDIS - Trut States Stat | Green Peas-Oheng Tabi | 8 South China Morning Post, Limited Steam Laundry Company, Limited | 6,000 | > | \$25 | none none | Dr. \$51,000 | NORS | | Sas sallers |
| Dab-Sa Mang Yu | 16 . Shanghai-Sheung Hol Shu | Union Waterboat Company, Limited | 50,000 | \$10 | | nons | \$17 | 3 40 cents for year ending 31.5.09 | 5 2 | \$42 bayers \$10 sellers |
| Dog Fish-Tit Tu Sa | Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tsal | United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited Watson (A.S.) & Co., Limited | 70,000 | | | \$46,000 \$800,000 | | 5 60 cents per ord, share for year ending 3 | 145.09 61 9 | are provided a mark to all |
| Hels, Congor—Hal Man Yu | American—Fa Kl , , , Foochow—Fak Chau Shu Tsai | | | 11 2 | \$10 | 5,000 | 92,01 | Final of 30 cents for 1908 | | the Artificial and the second second |
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| Herrings—Tso Pak | Suciots—Con Chung Tau | | | | | | | | 1466 | |
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| Loach—Wu Yu | Turnips, Pun-ti (Long)—Low Pak | | | | 4 | | | | | |
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